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Local: Partly cloudy and somewhat warmer. Light southwest winds; highest temperature about 90; Sunday warm and probably fair.
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SOVIETS HOLD NAZIS ON ALL FRONTS, WIPE OUT ENTIRE ENEMY TANK DIVISION

URGE UAW PARLEY TO ACT ON NEGRO DISCRIMINATION

Join Browder Brigade--Hudson Hails Vets' Spirit

By ROY HUDSON

Tonight the Browder Volunteer Brigade is conducting its second great mobilization to bring the Sunday Worker to thousands of truth-hungry New Yorkers.

The first mobilization of the Brigade was inspiring in its success. It immediately doubled the circulation of the Sunday Worker. Tonight's job is to continue that success and increase it. Our paper has got to reach the people in numbers unhoped before.

Earl Browder's famous statement, "Time is of the Essence," was never more true than now. We've got to make time count by using the hours and minutes to awaken our people to the Hitler menace that threatens our country. We've got to see to it that they find out the truth about the Soviet Union and its magnificent Red Army—the truth about the V for Victory campaign that is sweeping the conquered nations of Europe. The Sunday Worker is the answer. Tonight's mobilization and what comes after are of history-making importance.

The example of the Abraham Lincoln Veterans in reforming their ranks for service in the Browder Brigade is in the spirit and need of the moment.

The results of last week's splendid mobilization give us a glimpse of what can and must be done to increase the circulation of the truthful press of the working class, of the American people. Tonight's mobilization must show that the campaign has gained further impetus with the growing responsibility of the needs of the hour.

The Abraham Lincoln Veterans have given the Browder Brigade the needed example.

I urge you: Join the Browder Brigade!

CIO Wins Halt to Draft Move in Kearny Strike

Union Protest Against Reclassification Gets Revocation of Order from Hershey, Yard Rejects Suggestion of Gov't

(Special to the Daily Worker)

KEARNY, N. J., Aug. 8.—A strikebreaking move by local draft boards to reclassify strikers of the Federal Shipbuilding and Drydock Co. was halted today after vigorous protests from the local CIO union leading the two-day-old walkout. The reclassification was stopped by order of Brig. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, national director of selective service.

Gen. Hershey, in a telegram from Washington, forbade local draft boards in New Jersey to reclassify the striking registrants.

Spokesmen for both the company, a U. S. Steel subsidiary, and the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers (CIO) agreed it might be a test of the union shop dispute for all Atlantic and Gulf Coast shipyards.

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'Enemy Action' Damages Big British Motorship

LONDON, Aug. 8 (UP).—"Enemy action" has damaged the 27,750-ton British motorship *Georgic*, formerly in the New York to England passenger service, but the crew was saved and no troops were aboard, the Ministry of Information announced today.

Nazi Departures from Iran Pressed by Allies

LONDON, Aug. 8 (UP).—Great Britain and the Soviet Union will continue to urge the departure of German nationals from Iran, it was reported in authoritative quarters today.

White Delegates Support Negroes in Call for Immediate Drive to Wipe Out Jim-Crow in Plants, Report on North American Issue

By Louis F. Budenz
(Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 8.—Urgent pleas that the United Automobile Workers Union engage more vigorously in the campaign of opposition to job discrimination against Negroes in aircraft and other defense industries featured today's session of the sixth convention of that organization.

Negro and white delegates joined in making the plea, which accompanied the passage of a resolution pledging the international union to work for equal rights for Negroes in employment and enjoined all local unions to see that Negroes are protected in transferring to the aircraft and other defense set-ups.

In a discussion which was the most extended and intense that any convention of this union has ever held on the question of discrimination, Negro delegates made their first appearance in any number on the convention floor. Their position, as expressed by John R. Buchanan, of Flint, was that "resolutions are not enough. There must be real action on this matter."

URGES REAL ACTION

There have been resolutions adopted against discrimination in past conventions of the UAW, Johnson said, but they have been almost as fruitless as though "they had been thrown in the waste basket." He urged that the convention instruct the international officers to carry out the resolution in detail, after the convention.

Shelton Tappes, of Ford Local 600 emphasized the attitude of the Negro delegates on this question when he said: "This is a problem of labor. It is labor that should take this problem in its own hands. Labor should see that all workers—not only Negroes, but the members of all minorities—should be protected. As it is today, we Negroes have second-class citizenship in defense work. I hope that this resolution will not only be passed, but carried out with all the resources of the UAW-CIO."

In answer to some delegates who had said that this was a "problem of education," Victor Ford, Negro delegate from the west side local, declared that the Negroes cannot wait for "one thousand years for education to be carried through." He stated that discrimination in defense industries was a problem faced by the Negro workers now and should be taken up by the UAW immediately and effectively.

WHITES BACK NEGRO PLEA

This attitude was supported by a number of white delegates, one representative of Local 51 stating that "the question of Negro discrimination will not be solved until our international executive board takes a positive stand on the matter."

"We will have to be vigorous in asserting that the Negroes must be given their rights under the constitution," he said. The best answer to German Fascism, inside America, he contended, was to see that democracy prevail here for the Negro.

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House Begins Debate on Service Bill

Expect Final Vote on Monday or Tuesday in Close Test

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (UP).—The House began consideration of the Senate-approved military service extension resolution today with party lines split sharply and fate of the measure in doubt.

A final vote is expected Monday or Tuesday. The Chamber recessed at 5:25 P. M., with an hour and a half of general debate left for Monday before the bill is read for amendments.

Opposition today came mostly from Republicans, led by Rep. Hamilton Fish of New York and Dewey of Missouri.

The bill as passed by the Senate Thursday, would add 18 months to maximum term of service of all men now in the army, raise the salary of all troops by \$10 a month, after they had completed one term of service, and eliminate the \$90,000 restriction on the number of selectees in service at any one time.

Guests Help Union to Win Catskill Pact

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Aug. 8.—The picket line set up yesterday at Avon Lodge, South Fallsburg, by the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' Union Local 747, was called off after one hour while guests of the Avon Lodge effected a settlement of the dispute.

The local announced tonight that negotiations for a new contract would start Saturday. The main demand the union is putting forth is the establishment of a six day week at Avon Lodge.

Tass Flouts Report on Treaty for Dardanelles

LONDON, Aug. 8 (UP).—A Tass Agency report broadcast tonight by the Moscow Radio denied as "absolutely unfounded and German-inspired propaganda" reports of an alleged Soviet-British treaty providing for recognition of Soviet claims for control of the Dardanelles and Bosphorus.

AFL Council Asks Aid to Soviet Union

Says Aid 'Expedient'; Makes Clear Its Anti-Communist Stand

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 8.—The AFL Executive Council approved full United States aid to the Soviet Union as "expedient" in a statement issued here today.

The AFL leading body declared: "We can't escape the fact that Russia is also now the enemy of Nazi Germany."

The statement at the same time declared opposition to "the Communist regime in Russia as the enemy of democracy." And that "the teachings and practices of Communism are just as noxious and unprincipled as the teachings and practices of Nazism."

Today's session of the council approved U. S. occupation of Iceland as a strengthening of this country's defense and safeguarding the shipment of materials to the country's fighting Hitler.

FDR-Churchill Report Gains as Welles Departs

Aide of Hopkins Also Leaves Washington, Talk Rumor Grows

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (UP).—Two more high government officials were gone from the capital today amid rumors of a conference between President Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

They were Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles, administration spokesman in several key moves against the Axis recently, and Maj. Gen. James H. Burns, right-hand man of Harry L. Hopkins, lend-lease coordinator.

The State Department said that Welles had left for "a short rest," but declined to say where he was going. There was no information as to Burns' whereabouts. Associates said they were "surprised" to find the general gone.

RAF Attacks 'In Force' Krupp Armament Plants

'Heaviest Bombs' Pound German Industrial Cities, Raid Boulogne Ports, Ships Off Dutch Coast, Danish Bases

LONDON, Aug. 8 (UP).—The Royal Air Force attacked German industrial towns "in force" last night, dropping "a great weight of the heaviest bombs" and causing huge fires, the Air Ministry said today.

Targets included armaments factories at Essen, a of the great Krupp works. Dortmund and Hamm also were "heavily attacked" with "great damage." Smaller forces raided docks at Boulogne, France, and planes of the coastal command attacked air-dromes and other targets in Denmark and shipping off the Dutch coast. Bombers and fighters raided airbases in northern France.

The British lost four bombers during the night's operations, the Air Ministry said.

The continued hammering of northwest Germany and the industrial Ruhr sustained a British air offensive in progress for nearly two months.

Cuba Spurs Hunt Against Nazis; Seize 8 Agents

HAVANA, Aug. 8 (UP).—Police sought 22 fugitives today in a round-up of the outlawed German Bund and promised a similar campaign against Japanese suspected of propaganda activity.

The counter-espionage division arrested eight men yesterday and seized "seriously compromising proof." One was said to have been a spy during the World War and only one, Otto Fritzsche, was a naturalized Cuban citizen. All had been born in Germany, police said.

Twenty-two members of the Bund will be arrested as soon as possible, officials said. After the German round-up is completed, they said, action will be taken against an unspecified number of Japanese.

The material seized included a German Iron Cross, German literature and "many incriminating films," one of which showed various fortresses and another a squadron of warships. Neither the forts nor the vessels were identified by police.

Japanese Troops Pour in Daily To Indo China

PNOM - PENH, French Indo China, Aug. 8 (UP).—A stream of Japanese infantry, artillery and mechanized forces was said today to be arriving daily and moving west and southwest to new garrison points.

The location of the garrison points may not be disclosed as it is held to be a military secret.

General Kabashi, commander of Japanese forces in Cambodia, established headquarters here. Negotiations for opening of the frontier between Thailand and French Indo China were concluded, and it was believed that normal traffic which has been halted since Thai-Indo-Chinese hostilities will be resumed shortly.

Nazis Intern 70 After Norwegians Demonstrate

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 8 (UP).—A strict 9 P. M. curfew has been imposed in Bergen, Norway, after a large crowd demonstrated against German soldiers and 70 persons were sent to concentration camps, reports from Bergen said today. Several persons were reported injured during the disturbance.

Sea traffic along the Norwegian coast now functions only at night because of increased British air patrols, it was reported. Ships sail mostly in convoys, and Norwegian sailors were reported refusing to leave port unless an air escort is provided.

William Z. Foster Says: the American People Are Hungry for This New Book

By William Z. Foster

As the Red Army smashes the "elite" fascist divisions of Hitler's armed forces on the Eastern front it is at the same time destroying the mountains of lies against the U.S.S.R. with which the United States has been overwhelmed by professional Soviet baiters for the past two decades. The American people, as they see the heroic and successful struggle of the Red Army, are becoming increasingly interested to learn more about the country that has produced such a splendid fighting force. They are beginning to sense that they have been deceived by the Hearsts, Thomases, Lyons, and other such slanderers of the Soviet people.

The Soviet Power, by the Dean of Canterbury, is the ideal book to inform Americans of what is actually taking place in the U.S.S.R. Its

author, an outstanding engineer, humanitarian, clergyman and political analyst, presents in his book an objective picture of the Soviet Union which is compelling in its strength. It sweeps aside like chaff the poisonous vapors of the Valtios, Utleys, Eastmans, Trotskyes and the like.

The Soviet Power is one of the most influential books for our times. It has already exerted a profound effect in informing the British and American peoples regarding Soviet life. And it is still only at the beginning of its potential circulation.

In getting out the five-cent one-million-copies edition of this great book, the International Publishers has made one of the most notable achievements in the history of American book publishing. This low-priced edition is well put together and altogether a real credit to the book publishers' craft.

A million copies are a lot of books. But they can and will be sold, and other great editions of *The Soviet Power* will be necessary. The American people are hungry for the facts in this great historic book, and they will buy it on newsstands, along the sidewalks, at shop gates, and from door to door. *The Soviet Power* is on its way to becoming one of the most widely read and most influential books in American history.



William Z. Foster



Report Air Fleet Bombs Berlin

Kiev, Smolensk Fighting Bitter, Nazis Fail to Make Headway

MOSCOW, Saturday, Aug. 9 (UP).—The Red Army today described a stubborn stand against German assaults in five sectors along a 900-mile front where Soviet counter-attacks were reported to have wiped out an entire Nazi tank division and shattered another enemy "panzer" column.

(The Moscow Radio, heard by the United Press listening post, announced that Soviet bombers on Thursday night had claimed vengeance for the Luftwaffe's repeated bombings of Moscow by attacking Berlin and setting fire to "military objectives" in the German capital.)

(Stockholm dispatches to London said that three squadrons of four-motor bombers, exacting the Soviet Union's first "retrial" against Berlin, had swept upon the city in a 1,200-mile round trip flight from bases in the Oesel and Dagoe Islands in the Eastern Baltic, off the Finnish coast.)

(The Moscow Radio, calling the Berlin attack a "recommence flight," said that high explosive bombs and incendiaries were dropped on "military objectives of the Berlin area. . . . Fires were caused and explosions were heard. All our planes returned to their airbases without loss.")

(The German High Command said that a few "enemy" planes had succeeded in reaching Berlin across Western Germany, intimating that the raiders were British and making no mention of Soviet planes.)

NAZIS HELD EVERYWHERE
Last night's Soviet High Command communiqué describing the action on the long, curving front from Lake Ladoga above down to Belaya-Tserkov on Kiev and the Black Sea indicated that the Germans still were being held in the same positions they have occupied for six days.

The defenders of Leningrad were battling the Germans around Kexholm on the western shore of Lake Ladoga 80 miles north of Leningrad as well as in the Estonian region far west of the Soviet's second city and great industrial center.

Heavy fighting still raged throughout Friday around the Smolensk gateway to Moscow and on two sides of Kiev where the civilian population have been mobilized "to the last man" for defense of the Ukrainian capital, according to dispatches reaching Moscow.

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Call Nazi Claims 'Fairy Tale,' Cite 1,500,000 German Losses

USSR Declares Germans Seek to Conceal Own Casualties

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 8.—Ridiculing the claims of the German High Command as "Arabian fairy tales," the Soviet Information Bureau in its communique yesterday on the results of six weeks of war declared that the Nazi armies had suffered 1,500,000 in killed, wounded and prisoners.

The Soviet armies, the communique said, had suffered 600,000 casualties. The German High Command claims were propaganda, the communique charged, designed to still the growing alarm of the German people over the progress of the war on the eastern front.

The communique further declared that the Nazi claim of shattering the "Stalin line" was false from beginning to end inasmuch as there is not and never was a "Stalin line."

The Nazi armies, in addition to casualties, have lost 6,000 tanks, 8,000 guns and 6,000 planes. Soviet losses for the same period are 5,000 tanks, 7,000 guns and 4,000 planes.

The communique follows in full.

"Over six weeks have passed since the German fascist troops perfunctorily attacked the USSR. Encountering the powerful resistance of the Red Army, the German troops sustained tremendous losses in men and arms. The increasing resistance of the Red Army, bold guerrilla actions and the struggle of the entire Soviet people against the invaders have sharply affected not only the fighting capacity and morale of the German fascist troops but also the morale of the German people.

"The weariness caused by the protracted war, the reports penetrating Germany about the tremendous losses of her army, the sharp aggravation of the food situation in Germany and the increasing dislocation of industry, cause despondency and confusion amidst the German population.

NAZIS CONCEAL LOSSES

"Fascist propaganda endeavors by false reports on the progress of military operations on the eastern front to raise the spirit of the German soldier and population. Concealing from the German population the real losses suffered by the German army in the war against the USSR, the Hitlerite propaganda is treating the population to ridiculous nonsense, as for instance, that 16 German cavalrymen annihilated a Soviet regiment, or five German infantrymen captured 17 fortifications and annihilated a whole Soviet regiment which was defending them. The absurdity of such reports was so apparent that the German population does not believe them at all and naturally, as it was stated by the German communique itself, 'an uneasy notion of the progress of military operations has formed in the country.'

"For this very reason, German propaganda, joining efforts with the High Command of the German Army, has played a new trick by publishing on Aug. 6 sensational communique on the progress of hostilities on the eastern front.

"Trying to find explanations for the heavy losses of the German armies at the front and for the protracted marketing time by the German fascist hordes, German propaganda attempts to create a legend on the existence of a 'powerful, fortified Stalin line.' And this 'Stalin line' appears without any delay on the whole front—from the Gulf of Finland to the Black Sea, wherever the German troops meeting stiff resistance from the Red Army units, sustain especially heavy losses.

"Certainly the Soviet government in due time created field fortifications where it was necessary. However, no special 'Stalin Line' ever existed or exists. This line was invented by the Germans to justify their tremendous losses which are not due to the existence of a 'special line' in the defense of the USSR, but to the fact that the Red Army and Soviet people defend their native land with the greatest bravery and courage and transform every inch of native land into fortifications.

"No less absurd and ridiculous are the 'estimations' of the Hitlerites concerning the war prisoners and booty allegedly captured by the German army on the eastern front. The German command published the following fantastic figures on Soviet losses for six weeks: 895,000 war prisoners, 13,148 tanks, 10,388 guns, 9,082 airplanes. Here the German propaganda excelled itself.

"The technique of these false 'estimations' is as follows: Occupying a Soviet district, the fascists immediately and forcibly mobilize the population—peasants, Soviet employees, women—for various hard work or drive them to the rear, and declare this population to be war prisoners.

"Certainly in this way one may count not only 895,000 war prisoners, allegedly captured by the Germans during the war, but even considerably more.

"This is how the German Information Bureau fabricates in its communique the fairy tale on the



Tank Ambush: Caption on this radiophoto sent here yesterday from Moscow says this is "Red tanks." This method of destroying enemy tanks by hurling bottles of gasoline and igniting the gas was widely used by the Spanish Republican Army against Gen. Franco's fascists in Spain.

number of captured Red Army men.

"The German propaganda was playing a similarly clumsy trick in publishing the false data about the allegedly captured trophies—Soviet guns, tanks and aircraft.

"In arriving at these 'data' the fascists obviously included first of all their own losses, added up our losses and then added to these extravagant figures as much as they were able to think of. Of course in this way one may count not only 13,000 Soviet tanks, 10,000 guns, 9,000 aircraft allegedly destroyed by the Germans during the war but even considerably more.

COLLAPSE OF BLITZ

"Undoubtedly the High Command of the German army, not without reason, engaged in the publication of obviously false reports on the progress of military operations. It was compelled to do this because of the collapse of plans for a blitzkrieg against the Soviet Union, because of the collapse of predatory plans for the capture of rich booty on the occupied territory—grain, cattle, factories, various structures, stocks of raw material and manufactured goods, and because of the exceedingly heavy losses in men and equipment sustained by the German Army.

"Since the German command did not venture to make public the real figures of its losses, this shortcoming of the 'extraordinary communique' of the German Propaganda of Aug. 6, will be made good by the Soviet Information Bureau.

"In the course of six weeks of the war, fascist Germany lost over 1,500,000 killed, wounded and war prisoners. These tremendous losses provide an explanation of the fact that the Germans begin ever more frequently to hurl into action soldiers aged over 45 or 17-year-old youths. Our losses in killed, wounded and missing are about 600,000 men.

"Heavy losses have been caused to the German panzer divisions. The Red Army captured or destroyed over 6,000 German tanks. Tremendous losses were sustained by the German artillery. In the course of the six weeks of war, the Red Army captured and destroyed over 8,000 German guns, losing during the same period about 7,000 guns. The German air force suffered particularly heavy losses.

"According to precise data, the German losses exceeded 6,000 planes. In the course of six weeks of the war we lost about 4,000 planes.

"The results of six weeks of the war clearly show what a low value Hitler and his criminal clique place upon the lives of German soldiers—they are forcibly driven under the deadly fire of our machine guns and artillery, they are machine-gunned by their own officers during retreat, the German command abandons scores of thousands of wounded to their own fate. As is evident from the above the real results of the six weeks of war of Hitlerite Germany against the Soviet Union differ as heaven from earth, from the false 'extraordinary communique' of the German propaganda which has completely lost all measure in its lies."

Trojanovsky Says Aid to USSR Helps America

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 8.—Alexander Trojanovsky, former Soviet Ambassador to the United States writing in Krasnaya Zvezda, states that the agreement reached between the USSR and the U.S.A. places on a practical footing the question of coordinating the economic efforts of both countries for destroying fascism.

"The fulfillment by the United States of Soviet war orders will contribute to the security of the United States, to the strengthening of the defense, and to the victorious operations of the Red Army.

Ehrenburg Rips Nazi Lies On Soviet Paris Embassy

Ridicules 'Cheap Detective Fiction' on Findings; Assails Persecution of Outstanding French Personages

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 8.—Nazi reports about "discoveries" made when they broke into the Soviet embassy in Paris were called "lurid tales smacking of cheap detective fiction" by Ilya Ehrenburg, famed Soviet journalist, here today. Ehrenburg, commenting on the publication in the

"Nazi press about finding weird 'fuses and parachutes' for some fantastic purposes concocted by the German propagandists, said that for more than a century the Embassy has housed Russian representatives in France.

"Now these savages have invaded the beautiful building on Regent Street. They were insulted that the doors were locked. They were compelled to exert some effort to break in," Ehrenburg continued.

"Seizing everything they could lay hands on—old tapestry and bronze inkstands—they published lurid tales smacking of cheap detective fiction about fuses and parachutes."

Ehrenburg told of some of the atrocities committed by the Nazis on French leaders who used to call at the Soviet embassy.

"The Soviet embassy in Paris was frequented by the finest people of France, now persecuted and tortured by the Hitlerites," Ehrenburg stated. "Chairman of the Senate, Jeanneney and Chairman of the Chamber of Deputies, Herriot, Generals Girard and Cautoux, the eminent scientists Perin and Paul Langevin, the famous writer Romain Rolland and Duhamel, came informally to pay friendly calls to the embassy."

"General Catroux has been sentenced, by default, to death by the Hitlerites. They have thrown Langevin into prison and have ordered their vulgar corporals into the home of the aged Romain Rolland."

"Duhamel's books were burned in a furnace (perhaps an electric one)."

Halifax to Visit London

LONDON, Aug. 8 (UP).—Viscount Halifax, British Ambassador to the United States, will visit London shortly, it was disclosed today with the arrival of Lady Halifax.

seized by German fascist troops.

We cite the evidence of several Lvov residents.

The teacher of a secondary school, Kovalskaya, relates in her statement: "Lvov is an ancient city. It saw many things in its history. But the fascist atrocities eclipse everything that the ancient city ever witnessed. Having occupied the city, the fascists began herding into the cinemas and clubs the active trade union workers, Stakhanovites, members of families of active public workers.

"In the Europa Cinema, the fascists rounded up about 500 persons. The German officer demanded that each should name in writing all persons known to have actively participated in public life. Among these 500 men and women only 60 were intimidated by the threats of the fascist officer. The remaining citizens answered to the Hitlerite threats with contemptuous silence. Then the fascists grabbed and took into the street every fifth person. Not less than 100 persons were shot in neighboring courtyards."

Bryantsev, a worker in the "Aida" Cigarette Wrapper Factory, writes: "Before my eyes Gestapo agents shot with pistols unparalyzed by German fascists over the peaceful population of the Soviet city."

The testimony of Lvov citizens, who stayed several days in German-occupied Lvov, irrefutably prove that the Hitlerites deliberately exterminate the population

Vichy Ports Overseas May Go to Nazis

**See Weygand Arrival
for Petain Talks
Presaging Move**

VICHY, Aug. 8 (UP).—Germany may be given "port facilities and transport privileges" in certain parts of the French Overseas Empire, it was indicated tonight after the arrival in Vichy from Algiers of General Maxime Weygand for "most important" talks with the Petain government.

By the time Marshal Henri Philippe Petain's Council of Ministers convenes tomorrow evening a final arrangement extending the scope of France's troubled "collaboration" with Germany is expected to be ready as a result of closely-guarded consultations underway tonight.

Weygand flew here by special plane from his African defense post simultaneous with the return to Vichy of Vice-Premier Admiral Jean Francois Darlan from Paris where he conferred with German authorities in the midst of mounting Nazi demands for closer French-German military as well as political ties.

Says Axis Soldiers Hate Each Other

**British Prisoners Forced
to Be Segregated Says
Returning American**

(By United Press)

The British have been forced to segregate German and Italian prisoners of war in Africa, a returning American said yesterday, because "they fight like hell."

William C. Teutsch of Springfield, La., a welding engineer until recently employed in the oil fields on the Red Sea coast of Egypt, said he saw both Italian and German soldiers in concentration camps near Durban, South Africa. He added that they appeared to hate each other.

Teutsch returned from Africa aboard the S. S. City of New York with 51 other Americans, 22 aliens, a Brindle gun, a cheetah, three ostriches, two snake-eating secretary owls and a grant milky eagle owl, very rare. The animals and birds, 22 crates of them, were consigned to the Bronx Zoo.

Teutsch said Great Britain's army and fleet in the Middle East were getting huge quantities of oil from Iraq, Iran and the Egyptian fields. Six tanker loads of crude oil are shipped from Red Sea ports each week to the refinery at Suez. Teutsch said the Suez Canal is periodically blocked by Axis bombers. Bombs frequently cause landslides which require an average of about two days to clear, he added.

British Seize Dentz, 35 Aides as Hostages

BEIRUT, Lebanon, Aug. 8 (UP).—General Henri Dentz, French High Commissioner and commander in Syria, and 35 of his officers have been seized and taken to Palestine as hostages pending the release of British and "Free French" prisoners taken by the Vichy forces, it was revealed today.

An official British communique said that the Allied prisoners, taken before the British-Free French conquest of Syria and Lebanon, are suspected of having transported to the "Axis territory" even while the armistice ending the Syrian conflict was being signed at Acre recently.

CAPTURE 150 TANKS

Another dispatch from the front told of a gigantic tank battle along the "River I" which the Germans, storming across at two points, had broken into the Soviet lines on the far bank.

The Red Army launched a counter-attack, it was stated, and after 24 hours of uninterrupted fighting halted the offensive and captured or destroyed 150 German tanks, dozens of anti-tank guns and other booty. It was in the rear of this battle that the 300 German parachute troops were said to have been captured.

Soviet artillery stationed nine



U. S. Dive-Bomber: The Brewster SB2A-1, America's newest, long-range, heavy Dive-bomber is shown over Newark, N. J., as it was demonstrated for Navy officials. The ship was developed for operations from deck of aircraft carriers. It carries a 1,600-pound bomb entirely enclosed in the fuselage and is reported to be 100 miles an hour faster than the German Stuka.

Report Berlin Bombed By Soviet Air Force

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forces and infantry columns moving up to the front, to German rear-line airdromes and supply columns.

On Thursday, it was stated, the Luftwaffe lost 21 planes and the Red air force 14.

DESTROY NAZI TANKS

The latest communique described the increasingly heavy destruction of German tanks in big battles and in daring small attacks and forays by Soviet guerrillas operating beyond the German lines.

One tank unit, in a surprise flank attack near the unidentified village of "N" destroyed 40 Nazi tanks in a brief space of time. One plane piloted by a political commissar named Nezhdanov scored direct bomb hits on five other Nazi tanks before Nezhdanov was shot down inside the Nazi lines.

Dispatches reaching Moscow from the fighting front Friday told of the smashing Soviet attacks along two unidentified rivers which were said to have wiped out an entire enemy division of tanks and broken up another enemy "panzer" column.

The counter-attacks were said to have boosted far above the previously announced 6,000 mark the number of Nazi tanks destroyed in the 48-day-old battle.

At one point deep behind the Soviet lines where a "gigantic battle of tanks" was raging, a mass attempt to land German parachute troops was said to have been frustrated when more than 300 of the heavily armed "chutists" were rounded up.

Dispatches reaching Moscow from the front said that only 40 enemy tanks out of several hundred escaped capture or destruction when the German 20th Tank Division was annihilated in furious fighting that lasted for several days along the unidentified "River L."

(A German "panzer" division at normal strength includes about 430 tanks, 3,000 other machines and 11,000 men.)

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RAF Sinks Axis Ships in Mediterranean

**Score Hit on Destroyer
in Convoy, Bomb
African Bases**

CAIRO, Aug. 8 (UP).—British Fleet Air arm bombers, in a night and day attack, sank two and possibly three merchant vessels of a heavily-guarded convoy moving across the narrow Mediterranean gap from Sicily to Africa, the Royal Air Force announced today.

One destroyer was believed damaged and a fourth merchant vessel severely battered.

A communique said the attack against the convoy of six cargo vessels and six destroyers began Wednesday night and was renewed Thursday morning.

RAF torpedo planes sank two ships of 8,000 and 6,000 tons in the first attack off the island of Lampedusa, the report said. Early the next morning Blenheim bombers renewed the attack east of the island of Kerkenna, farther south, and badly damaged a 6,000-ton ship.

BRITISH RAID TRIPOLI, AXIS BASES IN AFRICA

ROME, Aug. 8 (UP).—British planes have again raided Tripoli and other Axis bases in North Africa while Italian planes bombed British bases at Famagosta, Cyprus and Malta, the High Command reported today.

Depots and port works were damaged in the Cyprus raid, the communique said, and air and naval bases on Malta were attacked for three successive nights. Two persons were reported killed and several wounded in the British raids.

Brazil Reports On Free Port Zones for Trade

RIO DE JANEIRO, Aug. 8 (UP).—The Ministry of Communications made a favorable report today on creation of free port zones for foreign trade at Rio de Janeiro, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Porto Alegre.

The project would exempt from all customs duties goods in transit for shipment to other countries. It was recalled that Brazil and Paraguay signed a convention July 8 providing for a free zone at Santos, Brazil, for exports from Paraguay to be shipped to Santos from Concepcion, Paraguay, over a railroad now under construction.

Paraguay interests said the accord opened a new route to the Atlantic for Paraguayan products and that it made possible establishment of a Paraguayan merchant marine.

TIMOSHENKO'S CALL

Marshal Semyon Timoshenko, Soviet Commander-in-Chief on the Central Front, issued a new appeal during the day for organized guerrilla activities. Timoshenko was joined in his appeal by Vice-Premier N. F. Bulganin.

Proclaiming that "the hour of victory" approaches, Timoshenko told of the increasing havoc being caused by the Soviet guerrillas and said that their attacks were shattering the morale of German soldiers who are finding the guerrillas "literally everywhere."

"The Red Army's resistance is growing and it is defending every inch of our native land and daily and hourly displaying examples of heroism and bravery and inflicting crushing defeats on the barbaric enemy," Timoshenko said.

"Enter partisan bands! Attack and destroy the German rear supply columns and munitions, burn bridges, cut communications, set fire to houses and forests where the enemy plunderers are taking cover. 'Don't give him a single ounce of bread.'"

British-U. S. Warning to Tokio to Be Sternest Ever

LONDON, Aug. 8 (UP).—Current British-American discussions are expected to produce the sternest warning which a group of great powers ever has addressed to Japan, it was understood tonight.

Bare Unparalleled Nazi Atrocities After Capture of Lvov

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 8.—Following is the text of the morning communique of the Soviet Information Bureau of Aug. 8:

In the course of the night of Aug. 8, our troops continued to fight the enemy in the Kholm, Smolensk and Belya Tserkov directions and on the Estonian sector of the front.

No major engagements took place in other directions and sectors of the front.

NAZI ATROCITIES

The Soviet Information Bureau has received numerous statements and letters from a group of Soviet citizens, who with the aid of guerrillas managed to escape from Lvov to territory held by the Red Army. All these citizens witnessed unparalleled, monstrous atrocities committed by German fascists over the peaceful population of the Soviet city.

The testimony of Lvov citizens, who stayed several days in German-occupied Lvov, irrefutably prove that the Hitlerites deliberately exterminate the population

other active workers of the trade union organization. Thirty women Stakhanovites and active members of Lvov Garment Factory No. 1 were killed by stormtroopers at night in their homes.

"Drunken German soldiers dragged Lvov girls and young women into Kosciuszko Park and brutally raped them. A 15-year-old school girl, Lydia S, was raped successively by seven German tankists. The fascists threw the mutilated body of the poor girl in the garbage can of House No. 18 in Slovacka Street. The old priest, Slovackev, who with cross in hand, implored for mercy on the population and tried to prevent the raping of girls, was beaten by the fascists, who tore down his frock, burnt his beard and bayoneted him to death."

Khaletsky, a student of a technical school and son of a commercial employee, witnessed the excruciating execution to which the fascists subjected his father, together with a group of Lvov commercial employees.

BURIED ALIVE

"The fascists drove 35 persons, including my father, to a suburb of Lvov," writes Khaletsky, "and made them dig their own grave. When the pit was dug the fascist

officer tied their hands and feet. My father was the first to be thrown into the pit. The fascists threw the others on top of him. After that the Germans rounded up about fifteen residents of neighboring houses and forced them to fill up the grave. The muffled moans of the buried stifling people were heard for several minutes afterwards."

6,000 KILLED

A worker in the Confectionery Factory, "Bolshhevik" Barmash, describes in his letters the savage outrages perpetrated by the fascists over workers who headed trade union and public organizations. (International Red Aid, Red Cross, etc.) Under unbearable tortures, the Germans shot 18 active public workers and threw the rest into prison. "I witnessed," he writes, "how in the center of the city near the Atlas Restaurant, a group of drunken officers grabbed a 17-year-old girl, Galina Cochura, who was running by. Because she resisted and tried to tear away, the fascists ripped off her dress and started beating her with their revolver butts. The girl's body, with skull gashed open, lay until morning in front of the restaurant."

Refugees Zhutina, Barvinsky, Godovanets, Balatrik and Mrs.

chek maintain that the fascists shot and tortured to death not less than 6,000 Lvov residents. In the courtyard of Lvov Regional Administration of the Peoples Commissariat of Internal Affairs, the Germans shot about 400 workers in trade union, Soviet organizations and other public workers, also members of their families.

Fascist propaganda trumpeted to the whole world that on occupying Lvov the Germans allegedly found proof of "Bolshhevik atrocities." The evidence of Lvov residents—eyewitnesses to the monstrous crimes perpetrated by the fascists during the very first days of their rule in the occupied city, irrefutably proves that the fantastic fabrications of Hitler's propaganda on the so-called "Bolshhevik atrocities." The evidence of Lvov residents—eyewitnesses to the monstrous crimes perpetrated by the fascists during the very first days of their rule in the occupied city, irrefutably proves that the fantastic fabrications of Hitler's propaganda on the so-called "Bolshhevik atrocities."

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Court Upholds Little Against Coudert Threat

File Against Communist Ruled 'Defective' by Judge Benvenaga

John Little, New York Communist Leader, was removed from the threat of imprisonment yesterday after Supreme Court Justice Felix C. Benvenaga ruled Thursday that the application filed by the Rapp-Coudert Committee in the Little case was "technically defective."

The Rapp-Coudert Committee attempted to have Little jailed for contempt on the ground that his replies to the questions put him by the Committee were so "false, evasive and contradictory as to constitute a refusal to answer."

The judge, in his ruling, pointed out that the moving papers against Mr. Little did not specify "which of the many questions Little refused to answer."

"This omission," the decision asserted, "is fatal to the application. The statute contemplates that the questions should be specified in the moving papers so as to enable the witness to answer the charges made against him and to enable the court intelligently to pass upon them."

The court further maintained that Little's contention that he had given an answer to every question put to him was untenable.

The Little case was argued before Judge Benvenaga, July 5. Joseph Brodsky, noted New York attorney, represented Mr. Little.

Oil Rations Seen Delayed in N. Y. Until November

ALBANY, Aug. 8 (UP).—State officials admitted today that any plan for state rationing gasoline could not be placed in operation before Nov. 1, and possibly not until Dec. 1.

Rationing directed by the oil industry might be made effective earlier, it was said, but it would lack close official supervision.

The officials sought to set at rest reports that rationing might be placed in operation soon after Labor Day unless motorists voluntarily reduced consumption of gasoline.

To put a state plan in operation, funds would have to be made available, personnel added to the State Motor Vehicle Bureau and county clerks offices, ration regulations and coupon books printed and distributed and a state wide survey of dealers conducted.

Legislative leaders indicated to the United Press their willingness to sign certificates of intent to provide funds. The certificates would be redeemed by the 1924 legislature. This method has been used for other emergency expenses arising from the national defense program.

Republican leaders insisted, however, that the proposed expenditures be scrutinized carefully. One leader said he was unwilling to approve more expenditures "unless absolutely necessary."

Cleveland Electrical Union Reopens Pact Talk

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Aug. 8.—Local 735 of the United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers has reopened its three-month-old contract with Harris-Seybold-Potter Company to get an additional 3 cents per hour wage rise. The contract, like many signed by the UE in recent months, permits such reopening of wage clauses during the life of the agreement. Wage raises up to 22 cents per hour were included in the agreement when originally signed.



Redcaps Testify at Wage-Hour Hearings:

Scene at a federal hearing in New York as porters at railroad terminals described evils of the 10 cents-a-bag system established by railroads to avoid paying regular wages. Representing the porters are the United Service Employees (unaffiliated) and the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks (AFL).

Communist Urges Aid to Milk Farmers at Hearing

Mac Gordon Demands Producers of State Be Given Major Consideration, Not Trust Profit Aims in Hearings on Marketing Order

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Aug. 8.—A demand that the welfare of the 60,000 milk producers in the metropolitan marketing area and not the profits of the milk trust be made the basis for determining milk prices was made by Mac Gordon in behalf of the Farm Commission of the New York State Communist Party at hearings on the Federal State Marketing Order this week.

Chlorine Fumes Overcome 50 Near Kearny

Gas Leaks From Broken Feed Pipe; Blankets Square Mile

KEARNY, N. J., Aug. 8 (UP).—At least 50 persons were recovering today from the effects of chlorine fumes which escaped from a broken feed pipe from a tank-car to a naphthalene factory and blanketed an area of almost a square mile.

At least 20 victims were taken to hospitals here and in Jersey City and Newark. Many more were treated at first aid stations erected near the Standard Naphthalene Products Co., where the break occurred last night.

Police from nearby communities aided local rescue workers, most of whom were not equipped with gas masks or other protective devices. Many of the victims collapsed and two Pennsylvania Railroad employees were missing for more than two hours. They were found unconscious near the factory and were sent to a hospital.

Wind sent the fumes away from the nearby Federal Shipbuilding and Drydock Co., where hundreds of striking employees were picketing.

Victims said they felt no ill effects for several minutes. Several motorists were able to stop their automobiles before they collapsed. Hudson County police assigned 10 patrol cars to seek victims. Many were found by the roadside and most were permitted to go to their homes after first aid treatment.

Reports that the factory had been filling defense orders could not be confirmed.

Striking Kearny Shipyard Machinist Writes a Letter to The Daily Worker

(By a Striking Kearny Shipyard Machinist)

Kearny, N. J., Aug. 7

Editor, Daily Worker, New York City

I just came off the picket line in front of the Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company in Kearny, New Jersey.

I discovered we were on strike this morning when I arrived at Journal Square, Jersey City, and bought a paper.

A bus-load of us, on our way to work, made the discovery simultaneously. Some of us continued to the yards to do picket duty and others yawned and commented that the weather was nice for a swim.

Generally, we feel that the strike won't last long—no longer than it takes the government to build a fire under United States Steel.

When I arrived at the yards, the destroyer Bristol, on which I was yesterday installing lifeboat davits in preparation for her sea trials, lay deserted at the dock. Her sister ship, the Ellyson, lay behind her. We built and launched both ships in record time, often working twelve-hour shifts and through Saturday and Sunday.

Work had stopped completely on

four other destroyers, two cargo vessels and the cruisers Atlanta and Juneau. The Atlanta, a big 6,000-tonner, seemed particularly tragic in her strikebound loneliness. She was to be launched this Saturday.

The mood of the strikers—some seven thousand of them had gathered lunchboxes to take over the day shift—changed from holiday spirit to seriousness as picket lines formed. A movie camera was parked in front of the main gate, ready apparently to record hoped-for rioting.

Strikers took a look at the publicity Big Bertha and countered by letting the maintenance men, firemen and guards—incidentally these are organized into the CIO with us—with a friendly wave of their hands. The movie-camera man looked disgusted and folded up Big Bertha and went sulking away to his tent.

I took up my place in the picket line, the first time I had ever carried a banner without asking for higher wages. The government, in doing its part in promoting peace in the shipbuilding industry and an uninterrupted flow of destroyers and cruisers, was paying me a twelve percent increase over the wage of Federal Shipbuilding.

The government also, through the

National Defense Mediation Board had recommended a modified union shop. Federal. Fourteen thousand of us belong to the Industrial Marine and Shipbuilding Workers, CIO. Two thousand Federal workers do not belong.

Rightfully, we regard the two thousand non-members who have received higher wages and improved working conditions through the efforts of the fourteen thousand of us as fifth wheels on the union buggy. We pay dues, attend our meetings and send our representatives to Washington to state our case. So far, I have heard of not one of the two thousand excess baggage guys who has refused the twelve percent raise we were successful in getting for all.

Under the modified union shop recommended by the government, these two thousand men would not be forced to join the CIO. The CIO member, however, would be forced to remain in good standing in the union as a condition of continued employment.

This may seem to border on co-

erotion or at least indicate a distrust of the union of its own members. Actually, it is a self-defensive measure tied up with the union's pledge not to strike during the two years of the government sponsored contract. Where a union is not con-

stantly bettering the conditions and wages of its members or protecting them from wage cuts or actively raising demands, the membership loses interest. In pledging itself to two years of non-striking and peace in the interest of national defense, the CIO has a right to protect itself from the ravages of static unionism.

The government recognized this and offered a plan that would protect both the union as an entity and the rights of the unorganized. In accepting the government-sponsored agreement, the CIO actually agreed to retrench and hold its own peacefully for the duration instead of pressing the closed shop and wage demands that would keep shipyard workers more interested in unionism than building ships.

We are walking the picket line, and a 450 million dollar ship order by the government is tied up because Federal Shipbuilding refuses to accept the sane and foresighted labor recommendations of the United States government.

Mr. Korndorff, it seems, has not yet discovered that his name signed once on a simple union contract gets more results than a dozen fancy press release signatures.

We're betting that Washington will educate him before next Monday morning.

To Begin Count Of Rail Strike Vote on Sept. 2

Will Announce Results Not Later Than Sept. 5, Unions Ask Raises

CHICAGO, Aug. 8 (UP).—A. F. Whitney, President of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, announced today that counting of strike ballots cast by railroad union members will begin on Sept. 2 and that results would be announced not later than Sept. 5.

The railroad trainmen and 18 other railway unions, claiming to represent 1,200,000 employees of the major railroads, authorized the strike vote last Tuesday when wage negotiations with the managements collapsed.

Whitney said general union chairmen would gather at Chicago early in September to tabulate the vote.

Railroads rejected a demand of the union for wage raises which in some cases would total 30 per cent, charging that such an increase would cost \$600,000,000. The National Railway Mediation Board is expected to attempt to settle the dispute.

Monticello Police Raid Union Office

Local 747 Leaders, Held Incommunicado, Face Trial Monday

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Aug. 8 (UP).—An 18-day strike of CIO timber workers in a three-state area ended today after operators agreed to recognize the union as exclusive bargaining agency for approximately 4,000 workers and negotiate wage demands.

The settlement was reached at a mass meeting last night, which convened after more than 3,500 miners in six miles refused to handle pick posts delivered by non-strikers. The posts are the principal product of the surrounding timber areas of West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Members of the Tri-State Lumbermen's Association, operators of organization, will meet with representatives of the CIO Lumber, Timber and Sawmill Organizing Committee Monday to negotiate wage agreements.

Members of the CIO United Mine Workers will continue to refuse to handle timbers from operators who do not reach an agreement with the timber union, CIO leaders said.

Under the settlement, the operators will withdraw recognition from a non-striking independent union, the Tri-State Lumbermen's and Trunkers Association, granted last week.

The independent organization ordered its members back to work last Monday precipitating violent clashes with the CIO pickets. More than a score of trucks were damaged and a dozen workers injured. Two CIO leaders were arrested by Somerset County authorities.

Boston Insurance Firm Workers Vote for CIO

A CIO victory was chalked up yesterday when employees of the Boston Mutual Life Insurance Co. voted 258 to 71 for the Industrial Insurance Agents Union, Lewis Merrill, president of the union announced.

The UOPWA victory at Boston Mutual follows by one week recertification of Local 41 as collective bargaining agent of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. in the Greater Boston area. The count, based on a cross-check of company personnel records, showed 375 union members out of a total of 580 employed.

The 33 Boston Mutual offices covered by the NLRB polls included New Bedford, Fall River, Providence, Pawtucket, Woonsocket, Salem, Lowell, Pittsfield, Holyoke, Springfield, Worcester, Lewiston, and Portland.

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Thomas Taken To Sing Sing, Spur Appeal

Defense Committee for Negro Workers Asks For Funds

Reginald Thomas, Negro worker and former organizer for the International Labor Defense in Harlem, sentenced last week to from two to four years in Sing Sing for allegedly stabbing a policeman five years ago, was yesterday taken to prison pending appeal by the Reginald Thomas Defense Committee. Hearing on the appeal is scheduled for this fall.

The Committee, headed by Angelo Herndon, secretary, and Dr. Vernon H. DuBois, treasurer, is calling on all progressive organizations for funds to cover expenses of making the appeal. Mr. Herndon said yesterday that plans are under way also for mass meetings at which it is hoped to raise money to pay the \$10,000 bail under which Thomas is being held.

The Committee, Mr. Herndon said, is anxious to get Thomas released so that he may take part in the campaign for raising money for the appeal. The Reginald Thomas Defense Committee is at 1 W. 125th St.

Workers Back on Job at Brooklyn Bethlehem Yard

Two Brooklyn shipyards of the Bethlehem Steel Co. functioned normally yesterday with workmen returned from a one-day stoppage in protest against what they termed "stalling" tactics in negotiations for a labor contract.

The Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers CIO, canceled the "holiday" pending government efforts to conclude an adjustment.

A walkout of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFL, in a jurisdictional dispute concerning the yard's teamsters, continued.

We deeply mourn the death of Irving Pickover
a loyal member of the Young Communist League who lost his life on his union picket line.
EAST SIDE SECTION, Y.C.L.

Labor Bulwark Against Fascism, Metal Union Told

Rev. Thompson Speaks at Mine, Mill and Smelter Convention, Warns That Attacks on Rights Will Bring Hitlerism Here

(Special to the Daily Worker)
JOPLIN, Mo., Aug. 8.—Organized labor is the main bastion against Hitlerism at home, Rev. John B. Thompson, chairman of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, told delegates to the 38th Convention of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, CIO, in session here.

The progressive clergyman declared that there were powerful forces in America who were seeking to establish fascism while ostensibly fighting Hitlerism. This drive, he said, takes the form of attacking labor's basic rights to strike, picket and bargain collectively; of suppressing civil liberties and of curtailing the economic advance of the working people.

To defeat Hitlerism abroad, he asserted, to save democracy at home, "we must make our whole defense effort democratic."

"How can we defend democracy against such attacks as these?" he asked. "How can we save the democracy we now have and go on developing it to the fulfillment of its promises? Well, certainly not by deserting it or putting it aside for the duration. We must certainly not save democracy by surrendering it."

Tomasetti Heads CIO Electrical Drive in Conn.

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Aug. 8.—Nicholas Tomasetti has been named to direct a 3-month campaign by the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America to organize all remaining unorganized workers in this area into CIO unions. A group of UE locals in this community is backing the drive. Tomasetti is a Representative of the State Legislature here and one of the first active union men to be so elected.

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Fight on Fascism Key to Election, Says City C.I.O.

Industrial Council Demands Candidates Back All-Out Aid to Britain, USSR, China; Warns Mayor's Action May Peril Anti-Hitler Unity

All political camps of the city had before them yesterday the bluntly-stated position of the Greater New York Industrial Union Council, CIO—that "the central and major issue of the mayoralty election is the fight against fascism."

The first detailed expression of an independent labor viewpoint in the campaign, the CIO statement was adopted Thursday night by a Council meeting representing 250 local unions and was being studied carefully yesterday by all candidates.

Declaring that New York's election was of "national importance," the statement urged overwhelming approval in the election for President Roosevelt's policy of all-out aid to Great Britain, the Soviet Union and China. Such a policy, it said, must be voiced as clearly as "no Christian Front or appeaser can read another meaning into it."

CRITICIZES MAYOR

At the same time the statement took the LaGuardia administration sharply to task for opposing the CIO unionism among city employees, terming it "labor's major problem." Unity in the fight against fascism, it warned, would be imperiled by failure to recognize labor's just rights.

The full text of the statement follows:

"An election in New York City is no mere municipal affair; it has great national importance. As a consequence, the issues which face the nation as a whole necessarily become issues of the local political campaign.

"Labor wants this election to result in a victory for its fundamental principles. It wants to see an overwhelming popular approval of the policy of the President of the United States and the State Department of rendering all-out aid to the nations now fighting Hitler: Great Britain, Soviet Russia and China. The candidates for office must make their position on this question so clear that no Christian Front or appeaser can read another meaning into it. Labor knows that our national security and the life of our democratic institutions depend upon the crushing defeat of Nazism.

"Labor will not be content with lip service in behalf of the program of aid to the nations fighting Hitler. Aid must be concrete, it must be adequate and it must be immediate.

"The fight to destroy Fascism abroad must be accompanied by an all-out effort to extend and strengthen democracy at home. To labor this, too, has very concrete implications. The emergency must not be utilized to take from labor its hard won gains and its accumulated rights. Both must, in fact, be extended.

"In New York City labor's major problem is the right of the employees of the largest employer of labor—the government of New York City itself—to organize and to bargain collectively through organizations of their own choosing. These employees do not today enjoy that right. The right of the employees of the unified transit system, organized into the Transport Workers Union of America, to enter into contractual negotiations with the City of New York has been consistently challenged by the administration. Another CIO union, the State, County and Municipal Workers of America, has been under severe attack; its members and officers have been harassed and smeared by an anti-labor investigation conducted by the Department of Investigation; its sanitation men's local has been denied all rights, while a corrupt and reactionary company union has been granted exclusive organizational and collective bargaining rights. President Philip Murray of the CIO has protested this situation to Mayor La Guardia and has called upon him to correct it.

"Labor regards the right of the employees of the city to organize and to bargain collectively as an extremely vital one in the election campaign.

"Labor regards the need for adequate appropriation for public schools, public health and hospital services, public housing and proper rent and price control apparatus as vital issues in the mayoralty election.

"The central and major issue in the mayoralty election is the fight against fascism. Although organized labor in New York can be united around this issue, the possibility for such unity unquestionably will be jeopardized by failure to recognize labor's just rights."

Army Orders Realism Into Fall War Games

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (UP).—The army's general headquarters today ordered commanding generals of opposing forces to put as much realism into the fall war games as possible, especially in the capturing of "prisoners" under combat conditions.

15 Alliance Pickets Held in Bronx Protest

Sought Relief for Family of 9, Delegation to See Mayor

Fifteen members of the Workers Alliance were arrested yesterday morning for taking part in a peaceful picket line in front of the relief bureau at Webster Ave. and 138th St., Bronx.

The picket line, according to Alliance leaders, was held as a protest against the denial of relief to Ferdinand De Vivo, his wife and seven children, who were cut off the Department of Welfare rolls on July 15. De Vivo was told by relief officials to "make a living selling junk," according to Alliance statements.

The fifteen workers arrested yesterday were charged with "disorderly conduct" in the Bronx Magistrate Court, 161st St. and Third Ave. They were released in custody of Workers Alliance attorney Moe Weinman, and will appear for trial on Tuesday, August 12, along with 7 other Alliance members, arrested last Tuesday, when they staged a sit-in strike inside the Webster Ave. relief bureau, demanding reinstatement on relief for the De Vivo family.

ALLIANCE ASKS PROBE

According to Belle Casanov, Workers Alliance secretary, the Department of Welfare yesterday officially denied responsibility for the arrest of the picketers, and stated that they will press no charges against them.

Miss Casanov said that letters have been sent by the Alliance to both Mayor La Guardia and Police Commissioner Valentine, demanding an investigation of this arrest of unemployed men and women for peacefully picketing a relief bureau.

Miss Casanov further announced that an Alliance delegation will visit the Summer City Hall this morning, to discuss the De Vivo case with Mayor La Guardia or his representative.

Deny British Vessel Sabotaged in Port Here

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Aug. 8 (UP).—Officials of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Co. today denied reports of sabotage aboard a 6,000-ton British merchant ship returned here for repairs. An examination showed that the propeller shaft of the ship had been damaged by natural failure of a bolt connecting the crankshaft and the propeller shaft, the company said. Early reports said the shaft failed because several bolts were cut.

Book Guild Wins Pay Rises at Firm Here

A closed shop and 11 per cent wage increases are the gains made by the employees of the Oxford Book Co. as the Book and Magazine Guild announced the successful conclusion of contract negotiations with the company.

Other provisions of the contract, which will be signed on Sept. 1, are: Saturdays off during eight months of the year, severance pay for draftees, and sick leave. The contract provisions have been made retroactive to July 21.



Women Replace Men at a Balloon Site in English Midlands:

In order to free airmen for more important defense work, women have been enlisted to operate and maintain captive balloons. The picture shows some of the activities of airwomen who have assumed full charge of a balloon station. The women wear uniforms of "Air Force blue."

URGE UAW PARLEY TO ACTION ON NEGRO DISCRIMINATION

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people. The Chrysler Corporation, he declared, refused to do anything about a clause in the contract which provides against discrimination.

Discrimination against Mexican and Japanese workers, on the west coast was also hit by Robert Weinstein of The Vultee Local union in California. Weinstein reported that "second generation Americans of these and other racial origins are being denied jobs."

He asserted that "we have to build our union through the cooperation of the whole community," and said, "that cooperation would not be obtained unless the union fought against 'Class B Americans' being created by the employing interests."

Certain delegates reported progress in some vicinities in breaking down job discrimination, though they admitted that it was not on a large enough scale.

REPORT SUCCESS IN FIGHT

Lloyd Jones, organizer, reported that in the last year there had been some success in transferring Negroes to better positions in line with their seniority rights. He also said that some Negroes had been placed in new jobs there, and that several Negro shop stewards are now functioning in New York plants. Twenty Negro members have also been admitted to schools for aircraft construction work, through union effort, he declared.

In the course of the discussion, Wesley Schultz, of Local 46, Cleveland, a white worker paid a particular tribute to Joseph Jackson, Negro president of his local, Jackson, he stated, was one of the most respected and able members of the union in the Cleveland area. A delegate of Local 365, at the same time, announced that his local "is the first in the aircraft industry to see that Negroes are put to work there."

After an extensive debate today, which caused the convention to continue in session more than an hour this evening after its usual adjournment time, the report of the Grievance Committee on the North American strike situation was sent back to that committee by a close vote of the delegates.

The committee's report upheld the decisions and actions of President R. J. Thomas and Director Richard Frankenstein in that situation, and recommended that the temporary administration of the International Executive Board. But at the same time the report left the California delegates free to re-elect Louis Michener as their regional director.

MICHENER PRAISED

The discussion was signaled by the appearance of Frankenstein in support of the committee's unanimous recommendation. "Brother

Michener has made a grievous mistake," Frankenstein stated, "but our object is not to crucify a man. Michener has cooperated in the past and has the support of the California workers. To do a good job of organizing aircraft, we should support the recommendation of the committee."

Frankenstein, who had made the original charges against Michener for supporting the North American strikers, indicated that the rebuke to Michener, contained in the grievance committee report, would have a salutary effect and that this was enough. He pleaded that "the west coast be allowed to go forward" through passage of the committee's recommendation, and stated that the progress being made there now was an indication of what could be done.

Jack Montgomery of the California delegation said that the North American strikers and their friends "are good enough unionists to want to contribute to unity. We do not want to be enmeshed in an inter-factional fight. If international board members have admitted on the floor here that they make mistakes, why cannot newly organized workers at the North American make mistakes?"

Montgomery indicated that he was not satisfied with the committee report but that the California delegates would accept it, since it gave them a chance to elect a regional director whom they want.

REUTHERS RED-BAIT

The Reuther brothers—Walter and Victor—led the attack on the report, stating that it was "a whitewashing of Michener" and hinting that the attitude of Frankenstein was "the result of a deal," stating basing their stand on "a violation of the constitution in the North American strike." The Reuthers devoted considerable time to attacks on "the communists."

Both of them shouted that the North American strike was the product of "a Communist plot."

President Thomas rose to reply to the charges about a "deal," stating that it was untrue. "Besides," he said, "let those who cast the first stone see that they don't live in glass houses. Everybody here knows who are playing politics," he stated, looking directly at the Reuthers. Thomas supported the report of the committee and said he did so as "one who wishes to be the president of the whole union."

As the debate progressed, considerable confusion developed. Some delegates were against the report because it was too harsh, in their opinion, and opposing the idea of an administrator for California. None of these, incidentally, were California delegates. Others followed the Reuther position, in asserting that "Michener should be penalized by being deprived of the

right to hold office for at least one year."

Some even contended that if Michener were "to be exonerated," Wynham Mortimer and four other organizers who have been penalized, should also be vindicated.

Between these two views, a considerable number of the speakers supported the position of Thomas and Frankenstein—which also apparently was the position of Michener, since the committee stated that he had been satisfied "to leave the whole case in their hands." James Lindahl, of the Packard Local, in taking the Thomas-Frankenstein position, said that "the real culprit in the North American strike is Sidney Hillman, who consented to the use of troops against the North American strikers. If there is to be any disciplining here, it should be against the agents of Hillman in this convention."

Lindahl accused organizers of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, whom he did not name, of lobbying among the delegates and of meeting in private sessions, with delegates (presumably those around the Reuthers) to influence the decisions of the convention.

Charles Dorchester of the North American local indicated that his local, representing the former strikers, would support the committee report. The main thing now, he contended, is to intensify a real organization drive on the west coast. In that drive, the North American local's members would give full cooperation.

Despite such pleas for unity as accompanied these statements for the committee's report—and in an atmosphere of confusion on the issue—the recommendation was finally put to the convention at a late hour this evening, and was voted down by a small margin.

CIO Wins Halt to Draft Move in Kearny Strike

White Delegates Support Negroes in Call for Immediate Drive to Wipe Out Jim-Crow in Plants; Report on North American Issue

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but would require union members to remain in good standing or lose their jobs.

Regarding a movement for Federal intervention, Peter Flynn, vice-president of the union's Local 16, said today he would "welcome the government taking over the plant."

Earlier in the day, Flynn sent a bitter telegram of protest to various government agencies protesting the draft reclassification. The wire was sent to Gen. Hershey, Adjutant General William A. Higgins, Selective Service director for New Jersey; Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson, and Sidney Hillman, associate CPM director. The telegram follows:

"Local 16 calls on the U. S. government to take over the Federal Shipbuilding Company's yards and operate them in the interests of national defense.

"The company's bad faith in dealing with our union, its defiance of the ruling of the National Defense Mediation Board granting Local 16 the modified shop, its willingness to keep the yards closed indefinitely rather than agree to a fair adjustment—all these failures of management to fulfill its responsibilities make it imperative for the government to act at once.

"The seven thousand strikers are just as anxious to get back to work and resume building ships as are the rest of the American people are to get those ships built. But they cannot do so while a stubborn company management demands the power to carry on a ceaseless battle against the union and its membership.

"The company seems willing to carry on this dispute endlessly and without regard for the needs of the defense program. The workers are not. The management hopes that in prolonging the strike by absolutely refusing to comply with the Mediation Board's findings, it can throw the blame for the struggle on the shoulders of the union and thus discredit labor in the eyes of the public.

"We will not be a party to this vicious trick. We will not permit the Federal Shipbuilding Company to victimize the American people. We believe that the government should step in without another hour's delay.

"With the union's collective bargaining rights fully protected under government operation, the picket line will instantly become a marching line of American workers rushing back to pick up where they left off in one of the most vital jobs in the national defense program."

The company rejected the recommendation of the National Defense Mediation Board for a "modified closed shop." The union claims 80 per cent of the estimated 130,000 employees in open shop Atlantic and Gulf Coast shipyards. It said it sought a "maintenance of membership clause" which would not compel non-unionists to join the union

Police Murders of Negro Brothers Outrages Capital

Latest Killings; 63rd in Past Few Years, Spurs Negro Congress Action, 40 Representatives of Groups Form Committee to End Brutality

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 8.—Feeling is running high against the most outrageous and unprovoked police killing of two Negro brothers, Jasper and Edward Cobb, which occurred here this week.

Earlier in the week another Negro boy was brutally murdered.

A conference called by the National Negro Congress and attended by 40 representatives of labor and civil organizations including the Communist Party, planned a mass public funeral here Sunday noon. It is expected that after the morning services, thousands of worshippers and indignant citizens will attend the public funeral.

The Communist Party, here, in a leaflet calling for an outdoor protest meeting at 10th and U Sts. on Saturday at 6 P. M., declared that "Hitlerism is running rampant in Washington."

This latest double police murder marks the 63rd police killing of Negroes in the past few years. Indignant citizens feel that this time the police haven't even the alibi pretext that their victims were committing a crime. The only "offense" of the Cobb brothers was that they were slow in producing their registration cards when the police asked for it.

The forty representatives have formed a citizens committee to fight this barbarous police practice to the end.

Tenants Win Rent Strike in Harlem

League Spurs Drive in Other Homes, Bare Violations

The struggle for better housing conditions and lower rents in four Harlem apartment houses, the Neighborhood Tenants League announced yesterday has scored a complete victory at 159 W. 119th St., where there is 100 per cent organization of the tenants.

Frank Rhys, organizer of the League, gave credit for the League's rapidly expanding activity to a six-week summer housing school, in League headquarters at 256 W. 118th St., which held its last session two weeks ago.

"Out of 32 students in the school," Rhys explained, "sixteen are now busy making use of their new knowledge by organizing other tenants."

The tenants at 256 W. 118th St., had been paying a monthly rental of \$65 for 7-room apartments in an old-law tenement which is full of violations and badly in need of repairs, as well as lacking such modern conveniences as refrigeration and shower. Rhys stated.

WIN RENT STRIKE

The rent strike began on August 1. On the 6th, Rhys said, Levy Brothers of 300 Madison Ave., who own the building, signed a written agreement with the League to correct all violations and repair and paint the premises. Work was started promptly the next day, Rhys added.

Another of the buildings where tenants are demanding renovation and correction of violations is an old tenement at 187 St. Nicholas Ave., belonging to Walter Frank of 307 Lenox Ave. Mrs. Clivia Renford, a League member, who lives in Apartment 14, North, told the Daily Worker that the building has leaky plumbing, broken walls, filthy dumb-waiters, vermin, and "just about all the violations there are."

She said, "The rats are so big and bold they eat the soap out of the wash bowl in the bathroom."

Tenants have been paying \$32-\$36 for four and five-room railroad apartments.

CITY NEGLECTED ACTION

This building is also organized 100 per cent, Rhys explained. He charged that although an inspector was sent by the New York Department of Housing on July 2, in response to the written requests of the tenants, no listing of violations was made at this time.

Tenants stated, "The landlord bragged he'd had a talk with the inspector and had fixed it so nothing would be set down in the record."

All tenants have withheld their rent, Rhys said, and are demanding another inspection. The landlord has served one dispossession which will be answered in court by the League on Friday, August 15. Other buildings where tenants are taking action under League auspices to better conditions are the Grampton Apartment Hotel, 182 St. Nicholas Ave., where 21 families belong to the League, and a tenement building at 260 W. 115th St., in which six out of the seven tenants belong to the League.

Spain Cancels Leases

LONDON, Aug. 8 (UP).—Reports reached London tonight that the leaves of all Spanish army officers and soldiers in Spanish Morocco have been canceled since midnight Tuesday.

U. S. Arranges For Production Of Silk Hose

Continued Supply for at Least 3 Months Made Possible

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (UP).—

Defense officials today came to the rescue of women who have been getting panicky about the silk stocking situation.

Just when it appeared that silk hosiery manufacturers would have to halt production three to six weeks hence because of the silk shortage, the OFM and Office of Price Administration and Civilian Supply arranged with the industry to continue production of silk hose for perhaps three months.

This will be accomplished by mixing other yarns with silk now on hand at mills. The result—according to assurances given the defense agencies by the silk industry will be a stocking identical in appearance with present hosiery.

Another portion of the new program will permit only half of the available nylon to be used in all-nylon hose. The rest will be used with yarns to stretch out the nylon supply.

The hosiery industry was urged by OFM and OPAOS to take immediate advantage of the seven per cent of rayon production which has been set aside for it. The industry was asked, however, to buy only enough supplies for a two-week period, and rayon manufacturers were asked to distribute their sales as evenly as possible throughout the hosiery industry.

Local 3 to Act On Mediation Plea Today

Strikers to Hear Arsdale Request, Painters Back Struggle

Striking electricians will meet at Manhattan Center, 34th St. and Eighth Ave., at 2 P. M. today to consider a request by Harry Van Arsdale, business manager of Local 3 of the Electrical Workers, that they return to work pending hearings by the National Defense Mediation Board. The strike was certified to the Board Thursday.

The 12-day old strike began as a controversy between the AFL union and the Consolidated Edison Company which refused to permit Local 3 men to work on its new Waterside plant, 39th St. and First Ave.

Defense projects were affected only for a few days by the walkout, since most electricians on such jobs were ordered back by the union. However, new construction work has been seriously tied up.

It is expected that today's meeting will endorse Van Arsdale's request and that the company will have to permit mediation of the dispute. Six hundred jobs are affected. These jobs are now filled by Edison Company employees who will not be displaced, according to Local 3, but sent back to the various power houses.

However, if the strike is not settled the men are assured of plenty of support from various allied building tradesmen, about 25,000 of whom walked out in sympathy with the electricians. Yesterday Painters District Council 9 sent a message of support and backed it with pickets at the Waterside plant.

Will Not Destroy Jasha Heifetz's Aluminum Violin

An aluminum violin contributed by Jasha Heifetz to the aluminum drive will not be sent to the smelter, Mayor LaGuardia said yesterday.

"In spite of national defense we must have good music and it is too good an instrument to be destroyed," the Mayor said.

He said that the fiddle would be sold and proceeds of the sale would be used by the Office of Civilian Defense, of which he is director, "undetermined" purposes, possibly in connection with civilian defense uniforms.

The Mayor declared "offers as high as \$100 had been made for the instrument."

Chicago Unity Parley Called to To Speed U.S. Aid Against Hitler

Noted Leaders in Many Fields Sign Call for Aug. 12 Conference

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Aug. 8.—An "all Chicago anti-Nazi rally" was in prospect here today with the calling of a broad conference "to aid in the more rapid extension of our policy of aid to Britain, Russia, China and all other peoples attacked or threatened with attack by Hitler and his partners."

A call to the conference, which will be held at the City Club, 18th floor, LaSalle Hotel, on Tuesday, Aug. 12, 8 P. M., was issued by a committee of 17 top-flight Chicago leaders in the trade union, political and educational fields.

The call emphasized that "we will gladly cooperate with 'The Committee to Defend America,' 'Fight for Freedom, Inc.,' and all other groups in helping to build as swiftly as possible a powerful smash-Nazi movement in the Midwest."

Organizations were urged to send delegates to plan the huge anti-Nazi rally, in an effort to counteract the confusion, which the committee stated is being created here by the appeasers.

NOTED SIGNERS OF CALL

The following persons signed the call:

Dr. A. R. Hatton, Northwestern University; Alderman Earl B. Dickerson, Second Ward; Carl H. Miller, American Library Association; Thyrus Edwards, State, County and Municipal Workers; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bernhard, Glencoe; Dr. Ann Behning, Dr. Kenneth Colegrove, chairman, Evanston Chapter Committee to Defend America; William Dawson, Ward Committeeman; Dr. Benjamin Miller, University of Chicago; Rev. Matthew W. Clair, St. Mark's, E. 8. Church.

And also: Dr. Cortland Eyer, Northwestern University; Dr. Thomas French, Institute for Psychoanalysis; W. E. Hetman, chairman, American Council for Defeat of Nazism; Dr. Ernest Lauer, Northwestern University; Curtis McDougall, State Director, Illinois WPA, Writers' Project; Miss Elizabeth McConnell; Helen Rand Miller, Evanston Township High School.

The call stated: "The invasion of Russia has greatly increased the danger of ultimate enslavement of the United States. If Russia's army and air force are destroyed, and if her rich resources of food, minerals and oil fall into Hitler's hands, the Nazis will be in a much more favorable position either to conquer Britain or to impose a negotiated peace. If Britain and Russia are defeated, the United States must face an Axis-dominated world, alone."

"It is evident, therefore, that any serious defense of the vital interests of the peoples of the Western Hemisphere requires greater and more rapid aid to Britain, Russia and China. But effective aid may not materialize in time if Americans do not unite in lending unequivocal support to our government's foreign policy."

RUBBER WORKERS BACK U. S. AID

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ERIE, Pa., Aug. 8.—Declaring that a lasting peace will be impossible without the military defeat of Hitlerism, rubber workers here have endorsed the Administration's policy of aid to Britain and the Soviet Union.

A resolution passed by Local 61 of the CIO's United Rubber Workers foresees a threat to American security and the unleashing of a wave of reaction throughout the country should Hitler succeed in defeating the USSR.

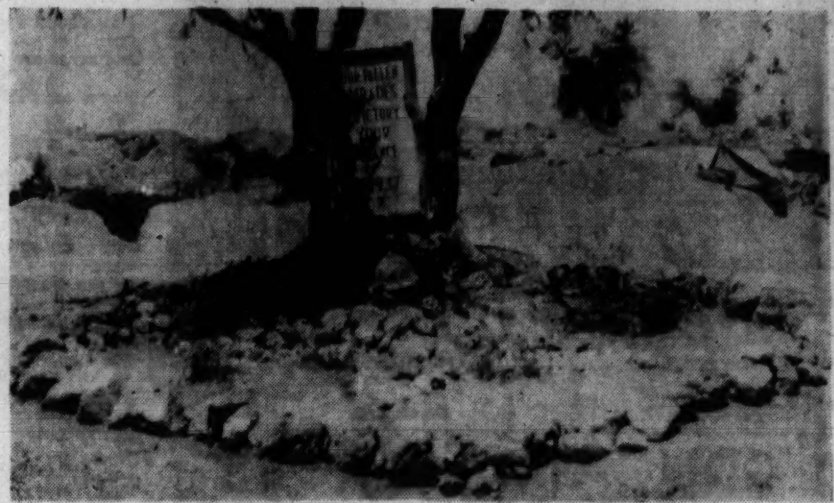
The resolution also calls upon President Roosevelt to guarantee trade union rights and civil liberties, stating that fascism cannot be defeated unless a free trade union movement exists at home and unless there is an end to defense profiteering.

The resolution said:

"The only road to a just and lasting peace today is through the military defeat of Hitler fascism and the complete destruction of Nazi barbarism throughout the world."

"A fundamental prerequisite for the defeat of fascism, at home as well as abroad is a free trade union"

Vets Spur 'V for Victory' Campaign



"OUR VICTORY SHALL BE YOUR VENGEANCE" reads the inscription on the headstone of this grave of an American volunteer for Loyalist Spain.

Enthusiastic participation of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade in the "V for Victory" campaign against fascism was reported yesterday by National Commander Milton Wolf.

Major Wolf announced the decision of the executive board to alter the title of their official organ "The Volunteer for Liberty" to "Volunteer for Victory."

Wolf recalled the epitaph the Lincoln boys carved

on the grave-heads of the comrades who died fighting Hitler in Spain.

"Our Victory Shall Be Your Vengeance," he recalled, "The day when this promise will be kept is fast approaching."

The first issue of the "Volunteer for Liberty," edited and published by the English speaking sections of the International Brigades, appeared in the trenches at Jarama, Spain, in February, 1937.

Mooney Says World's Hope Lies in Crushing Hitlerism

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 8.—Tom Mooney, American labor's great martyr, declared this week from a sickbed in St. Luke's Hospital that "the hope of the world lies in the utter defeat of Nazism."

"Since the brunt of the burden" of the war on Hitlerism "is being carried by Russia,"

Mooney said, "I am now convinced that the bulk of American lend-lease aid should go there. If the main fighting were to shift to Great Britain or China, I would favor the bulk of aid going there."

Mooney has been confined to a hospital bed for the past 18 months trying, as he puts it, "to repair now what it took 22½ years of prison to break down."

Although he is unable to sit up, he follows world affairs and politics with unfailing interest.

"The only logical approach," he told the Peoples World, West Coast progressive daily, "for anyone who cares anything about civil liberties is to see that fascism is crushed for all time."

The Soviet Union, Mooney said, "has surprised and amazed the entire world by its ability to hold the Nazis in check and inflict heavy punishment."

"All the typewriter and military generals in the United States were predicting six weeks as the outside limit of Soviet resistance. Now, entering the seventh week, the Nazis are stopped cold on every front. The blitz has folded up."

CITES LABOR-HATING DRIVE

Paying tribute to the West Coast paper, Mooney said that "if there had been a Peoples World in exist-

ence 25 years ago there might have been a different story."

"The labor-hating industrialists are out today to get Harry Bridges, William Schneiderman, Sam Darcy and others as they recently got Earl Browder, as they got Gene Debs."

Warren K. Billings, Mooney's partner in the monumental frame-up, also commented this week on the Soviet-Nazi war and its treatment in the commercial press of this country.

"Have you noticed what the moneyed press has been doing on the war in Russia?" he asked. "It is front page stuff when Germany reports a victory. But the last few weeks, with the Nazis stopped dead in their tracks, the news has been shoved to page two. Their editorials give a hundred times more space to Red-baiting than to fighting fascism."

Billings also praised the Peoples World and urged support to the paper in its current campaign to raise funds.

Billings at present conducts a watch-repair and jewelry shop, is recording secretary of Local 102 of the AFL Watchmakers Union and is a member of the International Jewelry Workers Joint Board.

Free France Rally Spurs U. S. Aid to Stop Hitler

Fight for Freedom, Inc. Presses Drive, Hails Red Army Struggle

While more than 500 people who crowded close to the platform in Columbus Circle Friday night applauded, Professor Fred G. Hoffherr, head of the French department at Barnard College, praised the "beautiful resistance of the Red Army" and declared:

"Now is the time for other democracies to strike with all their might for freedom of the world's people against Hitler."

Professor Hoffherr, who was one of the principal speakers at the "Free France" meeting, sponsored by the Fight for Freedom, Inc., declared passionately:

"We cannot expect other people to fight alone a fight that is for all the democratic peoples. What Hitler is fighting is democracy. If we do not stop him, he will keep going until he has crushed all decency, destroyed all democracy throughout the world."

FRANCE RED ARMY

Mention of the "beautiful resistance of the Red Army" brought a round of spontaneous applause from the audience, among whom were aged French workmen with stubble beards and women who looked like housewives who burst into tears while singing the Marseillaise.

Jacques De Sieres, personal representative of General de Gaulle, urged full American aid to defeat Hitler.

"For free Frenchmen," said he, "our country is not just a territory but a symbol of democracy and civilization. We think the people of the United States will not fail us in the fight to free France."

TRAITORS IN MIDST

Miss Charlotte Crawford, of the Fight for Freedom Committee, told the audience that France was surrendered to the enemy by "traitors in her midst."

"Men who had been waiting for years to sell out their country," she said, "ran to Hitler. There will come a day when free Frenchmen will spit the name of Vichy from their lips and erase it from their maps."

Urging America to "come awake" and help fully in the fight against Hitler, Miss Crawford asserted:

"France is holding up. Remember the people that made the Revolution, that raised the Bastille with their bare hands, that people is unconquered beneath the Nazi surface of France today. We must help them."

Other speakers, including Edwin W. Thorne, former commander of the American Legion Post in France, described what Nazism has done to France: "forced labor, mass arrests, the halting or production and loss of foodstuffs."

Merrill Muller, of Fight for Freedom, Inc., who is to be inducted into the army next month, said he would "go gladly to fight to win against Hitler."

Mrs. Alis Skelly, of Fight for Freedom Inc., was chairman of the meeting, which was one of a series held throughout Manhattan during the past two weeks.

Letters From Germany Reveal War Weariness

Lozovsky Produces Documents Taken from Captured Soldiers Prove Widening Discontent; War Losses Add to People's Pessimism

By Janet Weaver

(Correspondent Inter-Continental News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 8.—Vice-Commissar of Foreign Affairs and Chief of the Soviet Information Bureau, S. A. Lozovsky, in his press conference yesterday dealt with the morale of the German people behind the lines.

"Germany," said Lozovsky, "has been reduced to an enormous prison where only the armed jailers have an easy life. The morale of the German population may be seen from several objective factors."

"The food situation is going from bad to worse. Opposition to the war is mounting as terrific losses at the Eastern front increase."

"The war on two fronts holds out no prospect. There is a general war weariness resulting from repeated bombings, malnutrition and the oppressed feeling that defeat lies ahead for the country."

"Germany is proud of her inventions. She has invented ersatz leather, ersatz wool, ersatz cotton, ersatz butter and lately ersatz Socialism (National Socialism). Now German chemistry can report an epoch-making victory by inventing ersatz sausage. Bearing in mind that food issued on ration cards is steadily diminishing and that the shrinking rations provide hardly enough for the families of workers and office employees, it is clear that every new victory of German chemistry in the invention of new foods serves only to undermine the morale of wide masses of the population."

"It is no mere accident that the Germans are repeating the saying current during the last war: 'If everybody received alike and ate alike, the war would soon be forgotten.'"

ASTOUNDING CASUALTIES

"German casualties are astounding. This cannot be concealed since train after train carrying wounded soldiers continue to pour in to all parts of Germany."

"Following the smash-up of German regiments and divisions," Lozovsky continued, "we found thousands of letters from Germans to men at the front. That these afford an objective indication of Germany's state of mind is confirmed by the German High Command in a Secret Circular 3001, issued in 1940. This document reads, in part:

"From foreign reports we learn that German war prisoners have in their possession letters from relatives describing the sentiments of the population at home and difficulties experienced by the country. All such letters are widely used by enemy propaganda and under no circumstances should men be permitted to have them on their persons when leaving for front line positions."

INTERNAL UNREST

"This admission which attaches such importance to letters from home helps us to establish the actual state of affairs. All these letters, which for obvious reasons are couched in restrained terms, reflect the profound unrest which prevails among the German population in connection with the heavy losses. The letters reveal the consternation and pessimism apparent in the families of German soldiers and officers."

Lozovsky then gave a few examples illustrating the frame of



S. A. LOZOVSKY

of Oberschoeneberg, a suburb of Berlin, writes in a letter to Air Pilot Paul Mack: 'Just a few lines about the air raid on Berlin. In one house there was a wedding attended by 12 guests. Three bombs fell on the house, killing the bride and several of the people present. The bridegroom, in evening dress, ran frantically around what was left of the house murmuring the name of his bride. Now he has been confined to an asylum.'

"The suffering of the German population, caused by the horrors of war, evokes our profound compassion," Lozovsky concluded. "The German people are paying for the crimes perpetrated by Hitler and his gangsters. That is why the idea that the salvation of Germany and its people lies in the defeat of Hitler is gaining ever more ground among the German people."

GERMAN PESSIMISM

"These moods of pessimism and dejection which are reflected in most letters sent to the front prior to Hitler's attack on the Soviet Union and in the first stage of the war on the Eastern front have been greatly intensified by the heavy losses suffered by the Germans at the Eastern Front."

"Nor is there anything accidental in the fact that now one more frequently comes across the words: 'Down with War!' 'Hail Moscow!' inscribed on houses, factories and mills."

At the conclusion of the conference, Lozovsky, replying to the question of Jesus Hernandez, correspondent of the Argentine newspaper, "Critica," who asked whether the exchange of notes between the Soviet Ambassador to the United States and Sumner Welles, on United States economic assistance to the Soviet Union means that there is a pact of friendship and mutual assistance between the two countries, stated:

"The documents mentioned undoubtedly signify a rapprochement between the Soviet Union and the United States although no pact has been concluded between these countries. This exchange of notes testifies to the fact that the United States decided to render economic assistance to the Soviet Union in the struggle against armed aggression, as Sumner Welles outlined in his note. In this, moreover, the United States is guided by the fact that the common aim of both states is to smash bloody Hitlerism which, as Welles stated in his note, corresponds to the defense interests of the United States."

The Press Explodes Its Own Lies About USSR in Reviewing War Against Hitlerism

By Oakley Johnson

Stories are beginning to appear in the American press which refute anti-Soviet assertions this same press has repeatedly made in the past.

As a result of the reporting of the Soviet-Nazi War, truths are beginning to seep through the capitalist newspapers to American readers which hitherto were carried only by the Daily Worker.

The story, "Hitler Bids for Christian Allies," signed by Demaree Best, and carried in the current (Aug. 9) number of the Saturday Evening Post, is a case in point. Though its intentions are somewhat divided and its slant is scarcely pro-Soviet, it makes a very important point and at the same time corrects vicious lies about the newly acquired Soviet territory which was formerly Eastern Poland.

The point it makes is that the Nazis are making a gigantic pretense of being champions of Christianity against Bolshevism and thus try to get world support in their war of conquest against the Soviet Union. In the "Nazi scheme to bewilder and divide Christians," the article says, they have "concentrated upon the Catholic countries in Europe, upon France, Spain, Portugal, Hungary, Italy and Ireland. They have also tried to get support in countries like Sweden and Fin-

land, where the Lutheran Church is strong. This 'campaign to divide Christians,' the article gives us to understand, is analogous to their earlier plan to divide Christians and Jews."

"RELIGIOUS" PLEA REBUTTED

Not a bad analysis of Nazi propaganda at all! And now for the truth about the newly acquired Soviet territory, formerly eastern Poland, which comes in the course of the argument, in that the author reveals that Catholics and other Christians are not being taken in by this Nazi divide-and-conquer propaganda one-half as much as der Fuehrer hopes.

"I spent an evening in Warsaw," the author relates, "with a Polish Catholic landowner whose family has owned vast estates in eastern Poland for several centuries. After Stalin made the deal with Hitler to divide Poland, the Russians confiscated all these estates (that is, gave the land to the peasants—O. J.) They also exiled some of their relatives to Siberia and imprisoned others. This man also possessed some property in the German General Government area of Poland, and the Nazis allowed him to keep this property. Nevertheless, he assured me that if he had to choose between Russian and German rule, he wouldn't hesitate for one moment to choose the Russian. He

added that all his Polish friends felt the same."

UNITED AGAINST HITLER

"I asked why, and he explained: 'Poland is the one country where the Nazis have completely revealed their hand. We Poles have learned by bitter experience what Nazi racial theories must eventually mean for every race which the Germans consider inferior. The Nazi extremists whom Hitler turned loose in Poland are not the Germans whom we once knew. They are dangerous fanatics whose brutal race theories are a greater menace to the Poles than any Marxist theories could ever be. Poles of all classes now realize this and we are united against the Germans. We are even beginning to feel united with our fellow Slavs inside Russia, in spite of the great wrongs Stalin has committed against us.' (Our emphasis—O. J.)"

The passage is quoted in its entirety, but the reader will understand that the "great wrongs" referred to in the final sentence mean the collectivizing of the landlords' property for the benefit of the people as a whole. The interesting point is that even this wealthy aristocrat clearly shows Soviet rule, showing as clearly as any testimony can possibly show that the tales of Soviet oppression of the Polish people were lies.

Thus, capitalist press Lie No. 1 is

nailed by the capitalist press itself.

Incidentally, the fact that Hitler's appeal to religious prejudice is falling flat is shown by a United Press dispatch yesterday from Berlin, revealing that Archbishop De Jong of Utrecht, Holland, was fined 500 guilders by the German police for disobeying an order "in connection with a pastoral letter," which, the dispatch implied, had to do with "the fight against Bolshevistic Godlessness."

NAILING ANOTHER LIE

The Archbishop knows very well that religious freedom does not exist in Nazi-ruled territory; and the world is learning, as another great churchman, Dean of Canterbury, has shown in his book, "Soviet Power," that under Soviet rule there is religious freedom.

The Associated Press dispatch from London of August 6, carried by many American papers, and giving the testimony of an "aviation authority" on the quality of the Red Air Fleet, went a long way toward nailing another well-known lie, the lie of Soviet "inefficiency."

This British expert, whose name is not given but whose truthfulness is considerably more apparent than that of the Munich expert, Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, declares that the Red Air Fleet is complete master of the air above Moscow.

The British expert said he went to Moscow on the authority of the

British government to teach the Soviet defenders something about air defense of cities in danger of being bombed.

"Teaching the Russians air defense is like trying to teach the New York Yankees baseball," he laughed. They were better at defending Moscow, he implied, than the British were at defending London.

"I've spent nights in London during some of the worst raids," he said, "and I've spent some in Moscow. There is no comparison. The Nazis simply don't get through this wall of superfire put up by the Soviets."

And he added, testifying to the thoroughness of the Soviet anti-aircraft defense:

"They have four layers of bursting shells, not one (from the four rows of anti-aircraft guns—O. J.) And each is thicker than a flurry of leaves from autumn leaves."

This capitalist press Lie No. 2 is answered by the capitalist press itself, not only in the above Associated Press dispatch but in the wireless story August 7 from the New York Times Moscow correspondent, telling of his visit to the Stalin Auto Plant, which had been reported destroyed by the Berlin official news agency. A company of foreign press correspondents including American, British, and Japanese newsmen visited the auto plant, and found that it was going "full blast" and was "in no way damaged by raiders." In fact, the story said, the factory was running three shifts on a 24-hour basis, and was "turning out even more than the regular peacetime production of trucks and cars."

Incidentally, he saw more women workers in the Soviet factory than in American factories. "Although some American plants that the writer has seen employ many women, one does not have the impression of the same sort of mixture and equality of sexes in industrial work," he said.

Baltimore Seamen Offer Union Hall to USO

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 8.—Cooperating in the community effort to meet the social and educational needs of army lads on leave, the Baltimore branch of the National Maritime Union, CIO, has offered its newly decorated hall, at 1700 Fleet St., to the United Service Organization for dances. The invitation was extended after having been voted on at a recent membership meeting of the union.

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A Good Record— Improve It

The Browder Volunteer Brigade, on its first appearance last Sunday, did a splendid job—more than doubling the street sales of the Sunday Worker over the preceding week.

This Sunday, it is to be hoped, the Brigade will not only maintain last week's mark but better it. By now, it is an established fact that if the paper is made available to the people of this city, thousands upon thousands of them will eagerly purchase it.

The call by a group of Lincoln vets to the rest of the Lincoln Battalion members to "reform our ranks" and join in with the Browder Brigade will no doubt add new strength and enthusiasm to this week's mobilization. The presence of the Lincoln Vets in the Browder Brigade will emphasize how much the distribution of the Sunday Worker means to the struggle for the destruction of Hitlerism.

Break the Company's Anti-Union Stand

Responsibility for the strike at the U. S. Steel's shipyards at Kearny, N. J., rests completely with the corporation and its refusal to abide by a Mediation Board proposal for a modified union shop.

It is unfortunate that the Administration, the Mediation Board and the OPM did not publicly crack down ahead of time upon the corporation and thus make it unnecessary for the workers to resort to strike action.

No one by the wildest stretch of the imagination could raise the red-scare in connection with the Kearny strike. This strike, like recent strikes in defense industries where the "red" issue has been raised, is the result solely of the stubborn, anti-union attitude of the employer.

There has been talk on the part of some reactionaries in Congress of breaking the strike. What should be broken is not the strike, but the obstinacy of this corporation which has grown fat on defense profits in the last war and in this one.

The government should exert all necessary pressure to compel the company to accept the Mediation Board's mild proposals, so that vital defense work can be resumed as soon as possible.

Behind Hitler's Communique

Since Hitler came to power, the world has known that there was unrest among the German people. Now the brave resistance of the Red Army has compelled Hitler to admit it.

Couched in fantastic claims of Soviet losses, Hitler's notorious recent communique admitted that there was an "uneasy notion of the progress of the military operations" among the German people.

It was the purpose of this communique, which the Soviet Information Bureau modestly characterized as an "Arabian fairy tale," to quiet this growing unrest, not only in Germany, but in all the Nazi-occupied countries.

The German people hated the oppressive Versailles treaty, and Hitler has been able to capitalize on this hatred for purposes of continuous aggression against other nations. But the German people knew that the Soviet-German pact was for peace, and that it was in strict accord with the Soviet policy of peace. But now that Hitler has treacherously invaded the Soviet Union, the German people, still more restive, are learning daily that Hitler's dream of world domination is leading the country to ruin, destruction and death.

As German families see trainloads of wounded sons and husbands rolling back home, they know that Hitler's arrogant claims of small German losses are absurd inventions. While Hitler brings the German people death, they must know that the Soviet Union does not hold them to blame, but pins responsibility entirely upon the fascist rulers. As Foreign Commissar Molotov said on the first day of the Nazi invasion:

"This war has been forced upon us, not by the German people, not by the German workers, peasants and intellectuals whose suffering we well understand, but by the clique of bloodthirsty fascist rulers of Germany who have enslaved Frenchmen, Czechs, Poles, Serbians, Norwegians, Belgians, Danes, Dutchmen, Greeks and peoples of other nations."

The German people are beginning to realize that a military defeat of Hitler now will not bring a new Versailles but will bring freedom to Germany.

Hitler hoped by this lying communique to block the opening of a Western Front. Already he has suffered the setback of a British-Soviet pact, and of recent pledges by the United States Government of aid to the Soviet Union, and of greater unity of the people around the demand of all aid to both the Soviet and British people.

Hitler fears the decisive economic might of the United States not only in assisting the

Eastern Front, but in the establishment of all-out military operations in the West. Although the Red Army is daily shattering the Nazi myth of invincibility, Hitler is trying to frighten away the opening of a Western Front. But it is now, above all, necessary that this front be begun full blast. Nothing could be more effective in assisting the German and other Nazi-held peoples and in hastening the end of mankind's common enemy.

Darcy's Conviction— A Challenge to Anti-Fascists

The conviction of Samuel Adams Darcy in San Francisco, on a trumped-up technicality, was sheer political persecution.

Such an outrage comes in especial bad grace at this moment when the American people earnestly desire the end of Hitlerism everywhere, at home as well as abroad.

Darcy, a Communist leader, and former Secretary of the Communist Party in California, is well-known for his contributions in the fight for labor and the entire people. But the authorities did not dare try him frankly on his political views, nor did they wish to present to the people the activities of the Communists in the fight for the workers, for peace against fascism.

Instead Darcy was tried on a technicality of "false registration as a voter in 1934," a charge upon which no individual had ever been tried before in California. In fact, hundreds of higher political bosses in the State's controlling parties had given inaccurate birthplaces when they voted, but none have been haled before the courts. Yet, the State officials dug up the charge against Darcy after seven years, revealing that the whole case was one of political revenge for Darcy's work in behalf of labor in the State.

The defense also presented strong evidence that the San Francisco Examiner of Hearst—one of the most notorious fascist appeasers in the country—exerted a heavy hand in Darcy's persecution.

The people had a foretaste of what reactionary use can be made of "technicalities" in the conviction of the great anti-fascist leader Earl Browder. As long as Browder remains in jail, this method of persecuting labor and progressives remains as a threat to national unity against Hitlerism.

Trade unions and liberals should protest against Darcy's conviction insisting upon a new trial and upon bail pending his appeal.

The Appeasers Show Their True Colors

The action of the Senate in extending the service time of the men who have been drafted will be considered by the people as a step necessitated by the urgency of America's security in the face of continuous Nazi aggression.

At the same time, the type of opposition put up by many Senators, especially Republicans, is a graphic warning to the country of the danger of appeasement. These Senators, high up in government circles, are in a position to know the tremendous peril to America and the character of their opposition is to be sharply distinguished from the lack of understanding of many Americans because the Administration has not fully informed the people of this peril.

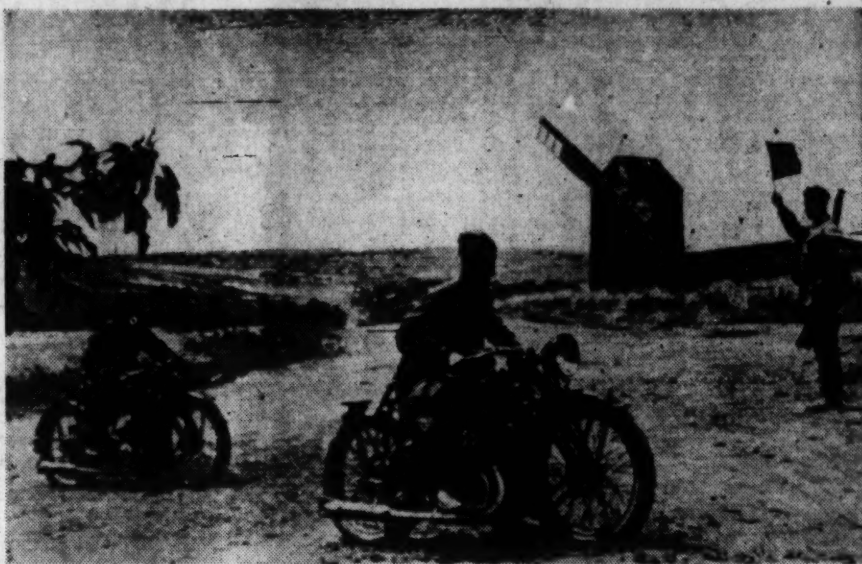
The stand of such men as Senators Wheeler and Johnson, gambling with the country's security, is one of deliberate choice. It fits into their demagogic platform of pretending to be heartily in favor of strengthening national defense, while at the same time they oppose concrete action of the Administration calculated to safeguard the country against Hitlerism.

These two questions are indivisible. And when these Senators opposed action to strengthen the country's armed forces they showed that they are not in favor of action to protect America against Hitler. Senator Johnson tried to hide this fact behind an unprincipled tirade against aid to the Soviet Union, which the people and the government, recognize is defending America's safety.

Moreover, for the past month the Nazi press has increased its attacks against the American Government and the American people. Experience has shown that behind these attacks is a threat to impose Hitler's new order on this hemisphere. And Hitler has been trying to do this with Nazi plots, incursions in Bolivia and other South American countries. In addition, Hitler will count on the Lindberghs, Wheelers and Johnsons to demobilize the nation and block its defense efforts.

The opposition of these appeaser forces, both in the Senate and the House where the Republicans have set up a so-called isolationist bloc, should serve as a lesson to the Administration. Surely now is the time to take the people—including the draftees—in to confidence and inform them fully on the gravity of the menace to America. Every step should be taken to meet the needs of the draftees. The ten-dollar pay raise to the soldiers is a step in the right direction, but no stone should be left unturned to give the information about the country's danger which will serve to strengthen the morale of both soldiers and civilians.

Under such conditions, the appeasers, who are in effect helping Hitler, will be fully exposed and their efforts to hamper defense prevented. This is a prime necessity since the measure now goes to the House where once more an appeaser minority will attempt to sabotage this effort to enhance the country's strength and unity against Hitlerism.



Dispatch Riders: This radiophoto sent yesterday from Moscow shows Red Army motorcyclists delivering dispatches at a field headquarters. —Sovfoto Radiophoto.

Daily Worker Reprints Letter to 'Times' NOTED EDUCATOR URGES MAXIMUM AID TO U.S.S.R.

The following letter is reprinted from the "Letters to the Times" of yesterday's New York Times. The author, Arthur Upham Pope, is director of the Iranian Institute and a leading authority on Oriental art, has been a lecturer and professor at Brown University, the University of California, Amherst College and the University of France. He is a co-director of the Third International Congress for Iranian Art and Archaeology held in Leningrad, 1935.

To the Editor of

The New York Times:

The Times' editorial "Russia as an Ally" in effect argues against direct help to Russia, although admitting that "the longer Russia fights, the better it will be for us."

Three arguments are given. 1. That our supply of munitions is severely limited. But ought it not, therefore, to be concluded that available supplies should be concentrated where the maximum damage is being caused to Hitler's armies, and that, incontestably, is the Russian front?

2. That there is hardly time for supplies to reach Russia before the critical period of six weeks is past, since they would have to travel all the way from the United States to Leningrad—so much farther than from the United States to London. But from the West Coast, which produces most of our bombers, to London is farther than from the West Coast to Vladivostok; nor would American supplies need to be transported to Smolensk. Russia has huge reserves in Siberia; most of these can be delivered to the Smolensk front in ten days or less and could be immediately started on their westward journey once they were assured of replacements from America.

FAITHFUL TO FACTS

3. That because of the Russian-German pact of 1939 the Russian Government cannot be trusted completely; but this ignores the Munich "sell-out" and its implications. Munich was a monstrous act of faith by both England and France and, among other things, a clear indication that both governments were disposed to give Hitler a free hand for his much-advertised and long-prepared "all-out" assault against Russia.

Russia was ready to carry out her

obligations, made the military dispositions necessary, actually had 1,200 airplanes in forward fields and was prepared for instant action if France met her five-times-repeated pledge to defend Czechoslovakia—the only condition under which Russia was called upon to act. There was plenty of other evidence that England and France were not fundamentally serious when they proposed the Russian alliance of 1939, having for years declared that Russia's effort to organize a united opposition to the Axis' aggressive plans "was premature."

The conduct of the French and British envoys throughout that negotiation was suspicious and confirmed other evidence that Chamberlain and Daladier were willing, if anything got started, to leave Russia holding the bag, a bag which would have been filled with devastated provinces, wrecked economy, and Russian dead and wounded by the million. Russia was willing to do her part provided she had guarantees that the democracies really meant business—an assurance she did not have. The transcript of the negotiations shows that every Franco-British proposal was answered on the following day, and that Russian proposals often received no answer for ten or eleven days. The Russians were further more quite aware of Neville Henderson's suggestions to Hitler that he turn east.

THE CASE OF FINLAND

Yes, Russia was fighting Finland a year ago, as you say. But Russia sought territorial adjustments for which she was prepared to pay handsomely in cash or territory. And she fought in the certain knowledge that a powerful Finnish group playing secretly with the Nazis was ready to lend Finnish territory as a springboard for an attack on Russia. What does the Times think of Mannerheim's fawning address to Hitler in which he thanks that enemy of mankind for the great honor of being allowed to fight on his side?

The seizure of positions in the Baltic provinces was an unpleasant business, just as our seizure of power in Panama or the affirmation of certain controls over Cuba were not altogether happy. The seizure of the eastern half of the collapsing Poland rather than let the Germans take everything right

up to the border was of benefit to the Poles themselves. German-occupied Poland suffered massacres and cruelty on a scale that Europe has not known for centuries. The Poles themselves testified that conditions in Russian-occupied Poland were much better.

The events have proved that Russia was right to prepare to defend herself against German aggressions by making possible delaying actions in these border regions. There is good evidence to believe that German casualties exceeded 500,000, to say nothing of material losses, before the Stalin Line was reached.

URGES MAXIMUM AID

If the democracies finally lose this war it will be because of the "too little and too late" policy. To be stingy with Russia now that she is daily inflicting at great cost to herself terrific damage on the German war machine—the first that it has suffered—is to cheat ourselves. To deprive her of the maximum aid that we can render her in what is probably the most decisive battle the world has ever known—not excepting Marathon or Waterloo—to repeat again the follies and ambiguities of Chamberlain and Daladier who, rather than see Russia benefit, preferred to imperil the very existence of their own countries—this is to gamble with our safety and risk our future.

If Russia defeats Germany now—and there is a reasonable chance that she will—America is safe, and we shall be relieved of almost intolerable burdens as well as a genuine danger. The issue is not certain, and American aid to Russia might easily turn the scales in her favor and that of civilization. Those who argue for restriction of that critical aid bear a grievous responsibility.

Churchill, who has said harsh things about Russia, now declares that Russia is entitled to our full aid—and Britain is sending her maximum. The Russian Orthodox Church, which has had its grievances against the Soviets, is giving its blessing and support to the Russian defense. Krensky—who certainly has not seen eye-to-eye with Stalin—is praying for the victory of the Red Army.

If we can't be as magnanimous, can't we be at least as realistic? —ARTHUR UPHAM POPE.

Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

READERS' DAY

NATURE NOTES

I have heard a frog
Croak
Strange dialogue.

I have heard a cow
Chew
And say meow.

I have seen a fly
Fly
Into my eye.

I have heard a snake
Hisss
And then say "snake."

I have seen an eel
Stand
Up straight and squeal.

I have seen the bull
Thrown
When the moon was full.

But I have never seen a flea
Belch
Like D. N. B.

Nor heard a liar lie
With
Such impunity.

MARTIN BANK.

Pity the Soviet armies! Of what avail to win battles against the German High Command when they lose them daily to General Hanson Baldwin of the New York Times?

SUGARMAN.

The Blitz gets stalled.
The Nazis mauled—
But each loss is called "win"
By that impartial
New York Times martial
Expert, Hanson Baldwin.

ELLIE.

Moscow reports that many Nazi soldiers are half-starved. But this is only part of the Nazi higher strategy of starving their troops until they are thin enough to use toothpicks for shields, walk through the Soviet lines without throwing a shadow and turn sideways when the Red Army sends over a barrage.

SECTION 80.

INDICTMENT

Lords, you in high fascist place,
Corrupt race,
We, the People, in dire plight
Hereby indict
You of crimes and misdemeanors
And subpoena
You to stand before our court
And hear report:
For driving us to airless cells
Wherein to dwell
Whilst planes above us fly
To make men die;
For threatening poison gas
To kill the mass;
For bomb and shrapnel dart.
That tear the heart;
For needless graves, and bitter lives
Of lonely wives;
For refugees, a driven herd;
With cheerless word;
For war that gives us dust to eat
In life's defeat—
Lords, for this our bitter hate
Without abate,
And we shall learn the Red Army's way
Your lies to flay;
And when all guns the truth decree
We shall be free!

NATASHA.

The Blitzkrieg's lost its mighty "Blitz";
Now all that's left is "Krieg."
Hitler's army is getting "Heil"—
The people will have the "Seg."

LUIGI.

What's the matter? Don't you like the Daily News war maps showing the Nazis practically in Moscow? All Daily News maps were probably made the day Hitler invaded the Soviet Union and it's too late to change them now.

L. S.

Letters from Our Readers

For Shelving Hatreds and Prejudices— All Aid to USSR

Seattle, Wash.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I am a Christian and a business man who believes in helping the oppressed and consider that Russia is fighting for all humanity against the forces of hell, meaning Hitler and his bloody murderers.

It is time for us to put our hatred and prejudices aside. I heartily endorse the attitude of our President in giving all aid and encouragement to Russia. England should actively help Russia by creating a western front.

N. McL.

Gas Curfew—To Promote National Defense

Hartford, Conn.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I did not like the tone of your editorial in the "Daily" of Saturday, August 2, entitled "The People Accept." It is now openly admitted that the gasoline curfew will not remedy the so-called gas shortage, and already we begin to hear talk of "bootleg gas." Defense workers, who due to housing shortage and rent profiteering, live out of town and commute to work via automobile are facing a real hardship in this prospective gasoline rationing. If private industry, due to inefficiency and profiteering, cannot supply the eastern seaboard with the necessary gas supply, the government should step in to see that this be done.

NOT AN AUTO OWNER.

EDITOR'S NOTE: In our editorials on the gas curfew, we have pointed out the need for government action to prevent profiteering, to increase production and to provide defense work for laid-off workers. We also urged a complete embargo on gasoline to Japan. But while the people press for all necessary steps to improve the situation and safeguard the work-

ing people, we believe that there should be full cooperation in this and all other measures which sincerely aim at promoting the national defense. If the measure proves ineffective, then it must be followed by more effective ones. It is necessary for those who see the need of improving all such measures, to be careful that their criticism is constructive and not voiced in a way as to play into the hands of the appeasers who themselves are generally connected with the most bitterly anti-labor elements in the country.

Does the New York Times Prefer the Cancer?

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Just as the Daily Worker has been warning us, the August 6 leading editorial in the New York Times, "Russia as an Ally," argues that "our primary interest is in 'helping Russia' but in 'stopping Hitler.'" The "historic facts" given to malign Russia is the old balcony about Russia's "treachery" in 1939 and her war in Finland (brave and gallant left out this time). The Times memory may be short but our remembrance fortunately is longer. It seems that when the Times urged all-out aid to France and Finland, Hitler went on strong. Now, when for the first time a people's army is stopping Hitler, we are told not to help them.

If I had a cancer and my friend knew of a doctor who could cure it and advised me not to see him because he was a Communist, I should suspect the sincerity of my friend's interest in my welfare. The Times like this "friend" evidently prefers the cancer to the cure for the peoples of the world.

N.

Skids on the Blitz

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The Red Army has already entered its path to victory, because it has found the answer to the blitz.

The combination of selfless sacrifice on the part of the Red soldier and the superior tactics as well as knowledge of the enemy by the Red generals have outdistanced the blitzkrieg methods.

Hitler and fascism were based on the idea of blitzconquest. As a German I feel that my people can already breathe more freely.

R.

Asks Paper to Campaign for Freedom of Earl Browder

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter which I sent to the Daily News:

"I come from an American family and feel the tradition of American democracy very strongly. I jealously watch any breach of our democracy because we want to remain the country that will permit freedom of speech and thought."

"Today, when democracy vs fascism is the issue, we should make every effort to permit voices calling for broad democracy to be heard. One of the groups in America that has been consistently asking for a real fight against the Hitler fascism has been that of Earl Browder. One need not be a Communist to agree with him that a third party should always exist in America, and that we must keep fascism away from the United States."

"One need not be a Communist to see that Earl Browder was put in jail because he represented a dissenting minority, rather than a technical infringement of the law."

"I ask you to demand that Earl Browder's case be opened and that the ridiculous prison term be commuted. I am sure that you can approach this matter fairly and with a little investigation you would find your action completely justified."

M. V. G.

On
The Score
BoardHanging Out
the
Saturday Wash

By Lester Rodney

Brief jottings out of the sports news of a Friday afternoon...

"Hello," said the voice on the phone a moment ago, a voice I recognized as Scorer's. "You won't believe this. I'm at the Polo Grounds and the Giants won a ball game."

Now being at the Polo Grounds these days of horror for the Terrymen is astounding enough, you understand. The Giants' winning made the report even more stupendous. Not even a sports editor who has to keep a calendar on his desk can tell you offhand who the Giants are playing, unless, of course, it is the Dodgers.

"So the Giants won," I snapped like a Hollywood version of a sports writer. "I have a paragraph open on tonight's dummy. What'd they do to win, play the Phillies and beat them 1-0 in extra innings?"

"No," says Scorer. "It was 3-2. In the eleventh."

HENRY ARMSTRONG.—So you've changed your mind and are going to start a "comeback." That doesn't come under the head of good news. You were the greatest little fighter in the history of the ring, breaking all precedent by storming through three consecutive divisions to win the title in each, and just missed climbing another 20 pounds out of your class to cop a fourth title when you drew with Ceferino Garcia. Your style of incessant, weaving attacks was startling and wonderful to behold while you had the fire and energy to keep going the way you did, never taking a backward step, combining defense with attack in a way that subordinated the first to the second without sacrificing your blitzkrieg pace. You caught punches on your elbows and shoulders and rolled with the hardest ones while you were on the way in punching.

You never really caught much leather in the face until the last year. You were almost unmarked till then. But when you apparently limitless energy inevitably began to run out, when you lost that split second timing in rolling and blocking punches, your going in motion was just an invitation to be bopped off by a good fighter. And Fritz Zivic did just that despite your truly heroic stand. You should have quit then, but it's hard for a great fighter to know exactly when he's through, and you knew so certainly that at your best you would have chased Zivic right out of the ring, so you tried again. I rooted for you to take a decisive licking in that one so that you'd know you were through, and I got into some hot arguments from our readers because of that stand. But the second fight was worse than the first. That much more was out of you and you took a horrible beating. You quit the ring, received a plaque of appreciation from the "fight game" and more important than that a heartwarming ovation from a packed Garden bidding you farewell—as a fighter. For you were finished in the ring, but just starting to fight in other fields. You pitched right into the fight to lick discrimination against the Negro people with the same championship energy and direction that carried you from the Harlem slum of St. Louis to three world titles.

Why you're making this comeback is something hard to figure. You're too smart to really think you can recapture your old form now. Nobody ever did once they slipped down the hill. The reason most fighters "come back" after they're through is money. Fighting is a short, grueling career and purses are split a lot of ways. But the general impression was that you had taken care of yourself, your wife and daughter pretty well financially. You told me as much yourself. If you've lost your dough somewhere along the line, perhaps in business attempts, forget all this. It's a lot of nerve in one way for someone to advise a man who has to punch and be punched for money whether he should fight or not.

But if it's just your burning pride of craft and refusal to believe that you can't come back—which is a very natural thing for a champ to feel—I'm rooting against you again. Hope in fact that you get your ears pinned back in a hurry in your first few fights, before the younger and faster good fighters like Zivic or Cochrane can re-open that ugly wound over your right eye—the one you got when you were on your way down.

Rolf Gets His Hits

In number of hits, Red Rolf, with 132, is second only to Joe DiMaggio among Yankee batters. The redhead is staging something of a comeback this year.

Another Brother Act?

With the St. Louis brother-battery of Mort and Walker Cooper wowing the public, the Cards may put together another brother act. Howard Krist, sensational St. Louis rookie, has a prominent kid brother, also a pitcher, in the minors. His name is Allen, and he hurls for Albany in the Eastern League.

DODGERS BEAT BRAVES 6-2, REGAIN LEAD

Soviet Sport Champs Handle Tough Assignments at Front

MOSCOW, Aug. 8.—Noted Soviet athletes in a crack Red Army division are handling difficult communications assignments with heroism, according to the division commander, Jacob Kreizer, who is a Hero of the Soviet Union.

Two of the athletes in Kreizer's division, Nikolai Stein, U.S.S.R. lightweight champion, and Maxim Troitsky, member of the championship Spartak eight-oar crew, won the Order of the Red Star, for carrying out operations under intense German fire that helped their unit to score a crushing victory over the Nazis.

Other Soviet sportsmen in the division made their way into the German rear in another action, destroying tanks and killing Nazi soldiers, and obtained valuable information, it was said.

In one of the instances in which Stein and Troitsky "showed themselves at their best," the Nazis began heavy artillery and aviation fire on a Soviet sub-division. With the German tanks about to open an attack,

Soviet officers decided that it was necessary to concentrate artillery against the tanks.

To Troitsky went the difficult assignment of making his way to the Soviet battery and transferring it to another line. Stein drew the even tougher task of "moving" to new positions of the rifle company with whom communications had been interrupted.

Stein and Troitsky dashed forward under a blaze of machine gun and artillery fire. Although the Nazis concentrated their fire on the pair, they broke through and carried out their assignments. The Nazis, expecting "an easy victory," were said instead to have suffered enormous losses.

Stein was training for an August title bout when the Nazis invaded U.S.S.R. He immediately took his place in the Red Army with hundreds of widely-known Soviet athletes, including such members of his division as the boxers Lavrenov, Rower and Baranovsky, and the skiers Morozov, Pechnikov; rugby player, Baranov, and others.

Wyatt Breezes to 15th, Mates Sock For 7th Straight

Ladies Day Crowd at Ebbets Field Sees Everybody Hit Against Tobin—Medwick Clouts Homer—Lead Idle Cards by .004

Appropriately playing in championship form, the dashing Dodgers bounced .004 percentage points back into the pleasant confines of first place by overcoming the Braves, 6-2, at Ebbets Field yesterday as the Cardinals took a day off.

Definitely returned to his early-season form, big Whitlow Wyatt set down Boston easily as his mates racked up their seventh straight win off Jim Tobin, who was the hottest pitcher in the loop until he arrived in Brooklyn.

The Braves were sporting a jaunty five-game winning streak before operations began yesterday before 18,127 fans, but found the Dodgers no respecters of reputations. Every Brooklynite got at least one hit.

Bucs May Clip Cards, Oblige Dodgers Today

Durochermen Wish Hot Pirate Good Luck, But Not Too Much

The pennant-bound Dodgers will eye with much interest, and perhaps not a little pleasure, the critical St. Louis-Pittsburgh series beginning today in the Mount City.

The Cards and Pirates are the Dodgers' two most serious rivals. Victories for either team are not welcome in Flatbush. With St. Louis still the team that Brooklyn must beat, however, the Dodgers are hoping that the Pirates will finally shake off the lethargy that has characterized their season's play against the Cards, and give it to the Redbirds, but good.

Frank Frisch's Bucs may do that little thing. During the last month, the Pirates have spurred tremendously, and are a far different team from the pushover they were for the Cards earlier in the year. St. Louis has taken 19 out of 11 from the Bucs, but the situation may change, drastically now. Although the Dodgers don't wish the Pirates too much good luck, they're pulling for them against the Cards, anyway.

The Pirates have 11 games left with St. Louis, and seven with Durochermen. No team likes to tangle these days with the Buccos. They've won 18 out of their last 21 games, and worked up from 16½ contests off the pace to a respectable eight.

Although that's quite a margin to make up on two such clubs as the Dodgers and Cards, it is not an impossible task for a club as hot as the Buccaners.

The once-dominant Pirates are the closest thing to the Gas House Gang since the rollicking days of the Dean boys, Medwick, Martin, Collins and Co. The reason is Onkel Franz Frisch, Pittsburgh's driving McGraw-type pilot, who has the Bucs hustling and surprising the league with "over their head" play.

Inspiring leadership and aggressiveness is often termed "over their head" playing. Actually, the Pirates are just coming into their own.

Although the club has no great stars, it is a well-balanced driving outfit, paced by smart veterans like catcher Al Lopez, who has been of great importance in developing Pittsburgh pitching. The hitting is well taken care of by Arky Vaughan, Elby Fletcher, Vince DiMaggio (finally living up to his abilities under Frisch's guidance), Maurice Van Robays, Bob Elliott, Debs Garms, and Frankie Gustine.

Much-improved pitching is being turned in by screwball ace Rip Sewell, Max Butcher, Lefty Ken Heintzelman, Bob Klingner, and a sensational youngster, Lloyd Dietz. In Debs Garms and Stu Martin the Pirates boast crack pinch-hitters and reserve strength.

If the Frischmen win the pennant, they can boast a precedent. Almost eight games behind on Labor day, the Frisch-led Cards of 1934 passed the Giants in a rush to klay the Tigers in the World Series. So it may be in the cards for the Pirates to cop the flag. Get it?

LEADERS

Player and Club	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Williams, Boston	33	241	36	122	.406
Travis, Washington	37	280	65	144	.514
DiMaggio, N. Y.	100	439	101	128	.290
Shaw, St. Louis	39	361	59	121	.337
Roberts, Philadelphia	92	351	52	121	.347

Player and Club	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Seaver, Brooklyn	38	341	73	110	.320
Rizzo, St. Louis	34	248	58	81	.327
Ellen, Philadelphia	37	348	93	118	.339
Mize, St. Louis	40	328	81	106	.323
Vaughan, Philadelphia	92	394	52	121	.307

Player and Club	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Keller, Yankees	31	251	51	81	.323
DiMaggio, Yankees	38	341	73	110	.320
Williams, St. Louis	39	361	59	121	.337

Marquard Holds Mark
Rube Marquard, of the 1912 New York Giants, holds the all-time record for a pitcher's winning streak, with 19 straight. He started with his first game of the season.

Giants Nip Phils in 11th

Young's Homer Breaks Up Mound Duel at Polo Grounds

An 11th-inning home run propelled by Babe Young ended a titanic pitcher's duel between Cy Young and Bill Lohman and gave the Giants a 3 to 2 victory over the cellar-dwelling Phils in the heat of the Polo Grounds yesterday.

The game-winning clout was the fourth four-master hit by the first sacker in the past four games and made his total so far for the year an even 15. But the star of the day was Bobby Bragan, Philadelphia's shortstop. The little fellow handled 11 chances faultlessly, and collected two hits, one knocking in the first run and the other setting the stage for the tying marker.

Lohman pitched magnificently. He limited the invaders to six hits, all of them up to the fourth frame, after which not an opponent reached first. It was Big Bill's seventh win as against seven losses.

It was 2-2 when Young came through to send the second smallest crowd of the year at the Polo Grounds, 2,388, home happy. It was a thriller right through, and it appears that the Terrymen have found a team that they are a match for.

Jack to Meet Roth

Beau Jack, promising young Negro lightweight who made such a popular debut at Ebbets Field last Thursday, will meet Al Roth in a preliminary to the Tippy Larkin-Maxie Shapiro bout in the Brooklyn ball park next Thursday.

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Louis-Nova Set at Stadium Sept. 19th; Henry in 'Comeback'

Title Bout Expected to Draw Big Crowd—Armstrong Changes Mind, Starts Fistic Tour

By Bill Newton

There's a place and time for everything. Everybody knew that the place for the Joe Louis-Lou Nova bout would be the Yankee Stadium, even before Mike Jacobs announced it yesterday, and the time, Sept. 19, 10 P. M., was not much of a surprise, either.

Jacobs' announcement, however, served to put an official stamp on the bout, and made it clear that a capacity crowd is expected at the big ballyard on the Harlem.

Rumors had floated freely along the sands and wild winds of Jacobs Beach that the big match might be held in some Middle Western city such as Detroit or Chicago. With such tremendous fan interest in the bout, however, it was considered certain that when Jacobs finally settled on a spot, it would be New York.

The ballyhoo for the tussle is already in full swing, most of it coming from Nova or his manager, Ray Carlen, who are doing a nice job of winning the championship orally long before Louis and Nova step between the ropes.

Behind all the ballyhoo, however, is the undoubted fact that the rugged, solid-punching Nova is expected to give the admittedly "slipping" champion one of his most difficult evenings. Joe will reign favorite, and should win decisively, in this observer's view, but he will know he has been in a fight.

The California challenger is at present taking preliminary training in the Maine woods. Louis is resting on his Michigan ranch. Both will begin serious workouts in about two weeks. The greatest heavyweight champ of 'em all will be making his 19th title defense against one of the most capable challengers he has been called upon to face.

There's a sad note in today's boxing news. From Los Angeles comes word that the once-incomparable Henry Armstrong plans to launch a

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The Amazing Mike Ryba, One Man Team Who Settled Down as Good Pitcher at Age of 36

Tucked away in an obscure corner of the American League pitching averages today is a line—"Ryba, Boston, won 6, lost 2"—that is a sort of bushel hiding the light of one of the most remarkable ball players in the business.

That would be old Mike Ryba, the one-man team who has done everything except cut the grass, take tickets and try to interpret one of Judge Landis' decisions. Old Mike has been knocking around the minor and major leagues for a long time, but he had to wait until he was 36 years old to settle down to one position.

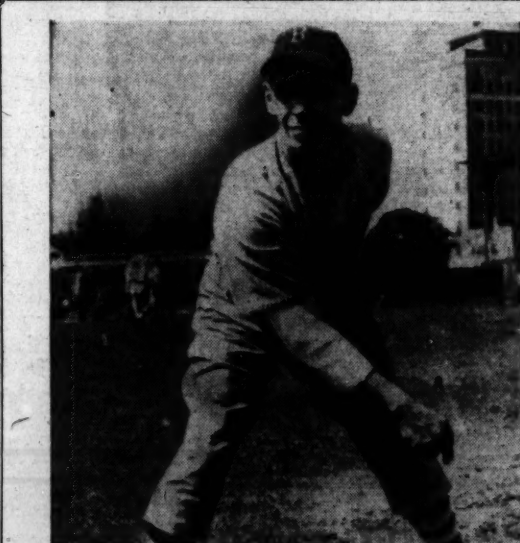
The coal miner from Delancey, Pa., comes to mind today because here in the heat of August he has just appeared in three games in four days—as a pitcher! Any time the Red Sox get in trouble these days, Manager Joe Cronin sounds the alarm and old Mike shuffles out of the bullpen to put out the fire.

Dig behind the records and you will find that old Mike has been in 29 ball games this season and may get into 20 more, if Cronin suddenly decides to take advantage of all of Mike's talents, the old guy could be in there every day from now on.

Baseball men still speak with awe of the 1934 season when Mike was in charge of the Springfield club of the Western Association.

"I was the manager and the business manager," Mike said recently in recalling that hectic year. "We traveled around the league in three automobiles and I drove one of them. I usually drove the rear car so I could ride hard and see that none of the players dropped out to grab a beer."

"I played every position on the club, and I can still remember my



averages. As a pitcher I won 14 and lost 3. I caught about 100 games and the rest of the time I played all the positions around the infield and in the outfield. I hit .342."

Now that it has become apparent that the Red Sox aren't going anywhere in particular this season, old Mike could put on a great show if Cronin would give him the green light and let him do his stuff. He has two good acts he performs. One is to pitch the first game of a double header and catch the second one. The other is to play three innings at first base, catch three innings and pitch the last three.

Despite the fact that he served a term with the St. Louis Cardinals and now is a member of the Red Sox, old Mike is not too well

known to Mayor League fans. But in the minor leagues he is known from coast to coast. At various times he has been voted the most valuable player in the American Association, the International League, the Middle Atlantic League, the Western League and the Western Association.

He might have gone on indefinitely in the minor leagues if the Red Sox had not been intrigued by the fact that he won 24 games for Rochester last season as a pitcher. They brought him up and told him to forget the other eight positions and stick to pitching.

Mike never will be another Walter Johnson, but you can safely bet that when he is 45 years old he still will be playing baseball somewhere—at any position that happens to be open.